



PUBLIC NOTICE
A PROPOSED REMOVAL ACTION WORKPLAN
IS AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT
The Former Gaylord Container Corporation West Mill
Antioch, California



September 8, 2010 to October 8, 2010

From September 8 to October 8, 2010, a draft cleanup document (called a Removal Action Work Plan or RAW) proposing how to clean up contaminated soil at the former Gaylord Container Corporation West Mill facility site (Site), located at 2301 Wilbur Avenue in unincorporated Antioch, Contra Costa County, California, is now available for public review and comment.

The facility operated as a paperboard/linerboard manufacturing facility using old corrugated cardboard and recycled fiber as raw material to produce linerboard from 1956 until September 2002, when operations ceased and investigation and demolition activities began. Past activities at the Site resulted in contamination of soil with Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs) at the Paper Process Unit Area, north of the former Paper Machine Building. Prolonged exposure to PCBs has the potential to negatively impact human health and the environment.

The proposed cleanup alternative is that of excavation and off-site disposal of contaminated soil to an appropriate landfill facility. The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) is the regulatory agency overseeing environmental investigations at, and eventual cleanup of, the Site.

DTSC has determined that a Notice of Exemption under CEQA is appropriate for the proposed cleanup. A Notice of Exemption is a document that states that there is no substantial evidence that the proposed cleanup will have a negative effect on the environment. The Negative Exemption is also available for review during the comment period for the draft RAW.

If you have questions about the Site or the project, please contact DTSC Project Manager, Katharine Hilf at (510) 540-3817 or via email at khilf@dtsc.ca.gov. Questions/issues pertaining to public involvement should be addressed to Heidi Nelson, DTSC Public Participation Specialist, at (916) 255-3575 or (866) 495-5651. Ms. Nelson's email address is hnelson@dtsc.ca.gov. Members of the media should contact Kam Coveyou, Information Officer, at (916) 324-8304, or via email at kcoveyou@dtsc.ca.gov.

The draft RAW, Notice of Exemption and other related documents are available for review at the City of Antioch Public Library, 501 W. 18th Street, Antioch, California 94531. Please call (925) 757-9224 for days and hours of operation. The DTSC Administrative Record is available at the Department of Toxic Substances Control, 700 Heinz Avenue, Berkeley, CA 94710-2721. Please call (510) 540-3800 to make an appointment.

You may also obtain information via the Web at: <http://www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov/public/>. Once at the website, type the word 'Antioch' in the box titled 'City' and take the cursor to the 'Get Report' key near the bottom of the screen and click once. Choose the project titled 'WEST MILL'. Take the cursor to the 'Report' field and click once. The screen will provide you with several documents available for review by the public.

Notice to Hearing Impaired Individuals

You can obtain additional information about the site by using the California State Relay Service at 1.888.877.5378 (TDD) and asking that Heidi Nelson be contacted regarding the West Mill project.

Si prefiere hablar con alguien en español acerca de ésta información, favor de llamar a Jacinto Soto, Departamento de Control de Substancias Tóxicas. El número de teléfono es 510-540-3842.