



**NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR THE
PROPOSED ACTIONS FOR THE
AGRICULTURAL AND RECREATIONAL TRACTS AND
THE ALMOND ORCHARD**

**1030 Apollo Court, Antioch, Contra Costa County, California
2101 E. 18th Street, Antioch, Contra Costa County, California**



The California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) is requesting public comment on the Preliminary Endangerment Assessments (PEAs) for the Agricultural Tract, Recreational Tract and northern portion of the Almond Orchard located at 1030 Apollo Court in Antioch, California and the Almond Orchard (called the southern portion of the Almond Orchard) located at 2101 E. 18th Street.

The PEA for the Agricultural and Recreational Tracts evaluated the chemical levels detected in soil and determined that the Agricultural Tract and the Recreational Tract could pose potential health risks if these tracts were used for residential, school, day care, or hospital-type uses. Recreational use was evaluated and determined to be safe as long as the parking lot on the Recreational Tract is maintained. A commercially produced material, referred to as "Sierra-Crete[®]," was placed beneath the parking lot during its construction by the City of Antioch as a base material. Individuals using the parking lot and Sports Complex will not be exposed to the Sierra Crete[®] because it is covered by the asphalt parking lot and the Antioch Youth Sports Complex Corporation has agreed to maintain the parking lot. The PEAs addressing the northern and southern portions of the Almond Orchard determined that the chemical levels present did not pose potential health risks under any use. Therefore, the final remedy consists of no further action for the Almond Orchard and placement of a deed restriction to prohibit residential, school, day care or hospital-type uses on the Agricultural and Recreational Tracts and require maintenance of the existing parking lot. As provided for in state and federal law, DTSC is proposing a Notice of Exemption for the final remedy under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

Information Repositories: Copies of the PEAs, the Deed Restriction, Notice of Exemption, and other related technical reports are available for public review at the information repositories listed below.

City of Antioch Public Library
501 18th Street
Antioch, CA 94531
(925) 757-9224
Hours: Mon.-Wed. 10:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.
Thurs. 12 p.m.-8 p.m.
Fri. 12 p.m.-6 p.m.
Sat. 10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.
Closed Sun.

DTSC File Room
700 Heinz Avenue, Suite 200
Berkeley, CA 94710
(510) 540-3800
Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Visit www.dtsc.ca.gov

The public is invited to comment on the PEAs, Deed Restriction and Notice of Exemption during the public comment period which runs from April 20, 2005 through May 20, 2005. All public comments will be carefully considered in making the final decision for the site. Written comments must be postmarked by May 20, 2005. Please mail your comments to Janet Naito at DTSC, 700 Heinz Avenue, Suite 200, Berkeley, CA 94710-2720 or email your comments to her at jnaito@dtsc.ca.gov.

If you would like to discuss this project with a DTSC representative, please call Ms. Janet Naito, DTSC Project Manager, at 510-540-3833 or email her at jnaito@dtsc.ca.gov. For information about public participation and community involvement, contact Nancy Cook at (510) 540-3923 or email her at ncook@dtsc.ca.gov. For media inquiries, please direct your calls to Angela Blanchette at (510) 540-3732 or email her at Email: ablanch@dtsc.ca.gov.