



**Gibson Environmental  
Marriott Drive  
Bakersfield, California**

***Assessment of Hazardous Waste at Gibson Environmental Facility***

Fact Sheet

October 1999

**Introduction**

The California Environmental Protection Agency, Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) is conducting an assessment of hazardous waste remaining at the Gibson Environmental Facility (Facility) at the end of Marriott Drive, off Rosedale Highway, in Bakersfield, California. This action is being taken to plan for future removal of the wastes. This fact sheet describes the Facility background, current and planned actions and who to contact for additional information.

**Facility Background**

The Gibson Environmental Facility operated primarily as a used oil storage and treatment facility from June 1987 to October 1995. It received used oil and other specified oily wastes. It also received contaminated soils which were treated in a fixation process on-site. In October 1994 DTSC filed a civil lawsuit against the owners and operators of Gibson Environmental which alleged numerous violations of hazardous waste laws. The lawsuit is still pending. On June 25, 1996, DTSC issued its decision to deny a hazardous waste permit and permit renewal for the Facility. DTSC's decision to deny the hazardous waste permit and permit renewal became final on February 4, 1998.

The Facility currently has approximately one million gallons of liquids and sludges stored in tanks on-site. Contaminated soil remains at the Facility in uncontained waste piles. There are also some drummed wastes at the Facility.

**Current and Planned Actions**

DTSC recently inspected the Facility and has hired a contractor to further inventory and conduct an assessment of liquid wastes which may pose a danger. During the week of October 11, 1999, workers will be at the Facility conducting additional assessment including sampling of the substances in the tanks. This information will be used to plan for future work at the Facility including removal of the tank wastes from the Facility. As a precaution from potential exposure to tank contents, workers will be dressed in protective clothing and breathing devices while on-site. Additional assessment of soil contamination will occur after liquid waste is removed.

**DTSC Contacts**

DTSC encourages anyone with questions or concerns regarding DTSC activities at the Gibson Environmental Facility to contact:

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**Mailing List Information**

If you are interested in receiving future notification from DTSC on this project, please complete the mailing list coupon below and return it to Randy Sturgeon, Public Participation Specialist, DTSC, 10151 Croydon Way, Suite 3, Sacramento, CA 95827.

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