

Work Notice

The mission of DTSC is to protect California's people and environment from harmful effects of toxic substances through the restoration of contaminated resources, enforcement, regulation and pollution prevention.

Soil Removal Work Activities

August 11 -18, 2014

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) is supervising the soil investigation and clean-up of lead near the Exide Technologies facility. Exide recycles lead from used batteries. In 2013, DTSC ordered Exide to test for lead in the yards of 39 homes in Boyle Heights and Maywood. These two areas were identified as most likely to be affected by Exide's air emissions. Soil samples were taken to find out the levels of lead. Results showed high levels of lead in some of the soil samples taken. As a result, DTSC ordered Exide to remove soil at two properties where lead levels were highest. Small equipment and/or hand tools will be used to remove the soil. New soil will be brought in to replace the soil that will be removed. This work is expected to take up to seven (7) days to complete.

To ensure public safety during the soil removal work activities, the contractors will:

- Install safety fencing around the work areas;
- Post no parking signs near the work areas;
- Spray water the work areas to reduce dust;
- Clean driveways and sidewalks in the work areas using a high efficiency particulate air (HEPA) vacuum;
- Conduct air monitoring and dust monitoring during work hours;
- Clean truck tires prior to leaving the site;
- Cover all soil carried by trucks before leaving the site; and,
- Drive trucks at slow speeds while on the residential streets.

Work Schedule

Work is scheduled between **August 11-18, 2014, 7AM – 6PM**. If needed, weekend work would take place between 8AM – 5PM. Efforts will be made to reduce noise and disruptions to traffic and parking. No street closures are planned. DTSC staff will be present during the work activities. **A 24-hour, bilingual, toll-free information line, 1-844-707-0808**, is available for questions or to report concerns regarding the soil removal activities.

For more information regarding these activities, please contact:

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- Marina Pérez, (Bilingual) DTSC Public Participation Specialist, marina.perez@dtsc.ca.gov, 1-844-225-3887
- Media Inquiries, Sandy Nax, DTSC Public Information Officer, snax@dtsc.ca.gov, (916) 327-6114

Information on the environmental investigation is available at the following locations:

- Robert Louis Stevenson Branch Library, 803 Spence St, Los Angeles, CA 90023, (323) 268-4710
- DTSC, Regional Records Office, 5796 Corporate Avenue, Cypress, CA 90630, (714) 484-5337

Site documents are available at the DTSC Envirostor website:

http://www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov/public/profile_report.asp?global_id=80001733

