



NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD
DRAFT REMEDIAL ACTION PLAN
PROPOSED CENTRAL REGION HIGH SCHOOL #16
LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

OPEN HOUSE: July 10, 2008, 6 p.m. – 8 p.m.
49th Street Elementary School Auditorium
750 49th Street, Los Angeles, CA 90011

Public Comment Period: June 26, 2008, to July 28, 2008

WHAT IS BEING PROPOSED?

The California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) invites public comment on the draft Remedial Action Plan (RAP) for the Los Angeles Unified School District's (LAUSD) proposed Central Region High School #16 site. This workplan describes the removal and off-site disposal of approximately 19,227 cubic yards (28,840 tons) of soil from the site. The site is 13.24 acres in size and is bounded by East 52nd Street and East 53rd Street to the north, Towne Avenue and San Pedro Street to the west, East 54th Street to the south, and Avalon Boulevard to the east in Los Angeles. During the site investigations, semi-volatile organic compounds (SVOCs), polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs), organochlorine pesticides (OCP), metals and lead were detected in shallow soils and soil gases in concentrations exceeding DTSC health risk levels for school sites. Therefore, DTSC recommended that LAUSD remove the contaminated soils and transport them to permitted off-site disposal facilities.

DTSC has prepared a draft Initial Study and a Negative Declaration for this project pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The Initial Study states that the proposed cleanup will not have a significant negative impact on the human health and the environment because of the defined amount of contaminated soil to be removed and the controlled manner in which the contaminated soils will be removed, loaded onto trucks and taken away to an approved/permited off-site facility for lawful disposal/treatment.

HOW DO I PARTICIPATE?

This notice is to provide the interested community an opportunity to learn more about the project and provide comments to DTSC about the proposed cleanup during a thirty (30) day public comment period that starts on June 26, 2008, and ends on July 28, 2008.

An open house will be held on July 10, 2008 at 6:00 p.m. at 49th Street Elementary School Auditorium, 750 49th Street, Los Angeles, CA 90011. Your participation is encouraged. Comments concerning the draft RAP may be submitted in writing to Juan Osornio, Project Manager, DTSC, 5796 Corporate Avenue, Cypress, CA 90630, and must be postmarked by **July 28, 2008**.

WHERE DO I GET MORE INFORMATION?

A copy of the draft RAP and other project documents are available at the Junipero Serra Branch Library, 4607 South Main Street, Los Angeles; 49th Street Elementary School, 750 East 49th Street, Los Angeles; Johnson Opportunity High School, 333 East 54th Street, Los Angeles; and at www.laschools.org. Also, all site documents and the full Administrative Record pertaining to this project are available for review during office hours at the DTSC Regional Records Office, 5796 Corporate Avenue, Cypress, CA 90630. Contact: Julie Johnson at (714) 484-5337 for an appointment. For more information about DTSC, please visit our website at www.envirostor.gov.

CONTACT:

If you have any questions or wish to discuss the removal activities, please contact Jeanne Matsumoto, DTSC Public Participation Specialist, at (866) 495-5611 or email: jmatsumo@dtsc.ca.gov; or Juan Osornio, DTSC Project Manager, at (714) 484-5498 or email: josornio@dtsc.ca.gov. Media queries contact: Jeanne Garcia at (818) 717-6573 or email: jgarcial@dtsc.ca.gov. For information on DTSC, visit our web site: www.dtsc.ca.gov.

Si desea información en español, comuníquese con: Juan Osornio, al (714) 484-5498