



NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Formerly Bay Area Research Extension Center Santa Clara, CA Draft Removal Action Workplan



PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: March 22, 2006 through April 21, 2006

WHAT'S BEING PROPOSED?

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) invites you to review and comment on the Draft Removal Action Workplan (Draft RAW) for the Bay Area Research Extension Center (BAREC), a former agricultural research center. BAREC is located at 90 North Winchester Boulevard, Santa Clara, CA. The Draft RAW describes the excavation and off-site disposal of arsenic and dieldrin contaminated soil from past practices at BAREC.

The City of Santa Clara has prepared a Draft Environmental Impact Report (Draft EIR) for the proposed development project and site cleanup. DTSC plans to use this document to address the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The Draft EIR and the Draft RAW are available for your review at the information repositories listed below.

WHY THIS NOTICE?

The purpose of this notice is to provide you with the opportunity to learn more about the project and to provide comments concerning the proposed soil removal activities to DTSC by **Friday, April 21, 2006**.

HOW DO I PARTICIPATE?

Your participation is encouraged. Comments concerning the Draft RAW may be submitted in writing to:

Ms. Virginia Lasky, DTSC Project Manager
700 Heinz Avenue
Berkeley, CA 94710
or email: vlasky@dtsc.ca.gov

All mail must be postmarked by **5 p.m. on Friday, April 21, 2006**. Emailed comments must be received by DTSC no later than 5 p.m. on the same date.

A **public meeting** will also be held on April 13, 2006, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the facility listed below to discuss the Draft RAW and receive public comments.

Westwood Elementary School
435 Saratoga Avenue
Santa Clara, CA 95050
(408) 423-4300

WHERE DO I GET MORE INFORMATION?

A copy of the Draft RAW and Draft EIR are available for review in the information repositories located at the:

Central Park Library
2635 Homestead Road
Santa Clara, CA
(408) 615-2970

Santa Clara City Hall
1500 Warburton Avenue
Santa Clara, CA
(408) 615-2200

The full administrative record for the site is available at: Department of Toxic Substances Control, 700 Heinz Avenue, Berkeley, CA 94710. Please call for an appointment: (510) 540-3800.

CONTACT

If you have any questions or wish to discuss the project, please contact Ms. Virginia Lasky, DTSC Project Manager, at (510) 540-3829 or by e-mail to vlasky@dtsc.ca.gov. For public participation activities, please contact Ms. Kim Rhodes, DTSC Public Participation Specialist, at (916) 255-3651 or by e-mail to krhodes1@dtsc.ca.gov. Members of the media should contact Ms. Angela Blanchette, DTSC Public Information Officer, at (510) 540-3732 or by e-mail to ablanche@dtsc.ca.gov.