

COMMUNITY UPDATE

The mission of DTSC is to protect California's people and environment from harmful effects of toxic substances by restoring contaminated resources, enforcing hazardous waste laws, reducing hazardous waste generation, and encouraging the manufacture of chemically safer products.

DRAFT REMOVAL ACTION WORKPLAN FOR THE BAYSHORE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT



A draft Removal Action Workplan (RAW) has been prepared for the Bayshore Elementary School Reconstruction Project. The Bayshore Elementary School District (District) is proposing to demolish the existing Bayshore Elementary School structures at 155 Oriente Street, Daly City, California (Site), and construct a new, modern school facility on the 2.12-acre Site. The new school facility would total 47,000 square feet and replace the existing Bayshore Elementary School and the Robertson Intermediate School at 1 Martin Street. The new school will accommodate the full enrollment for grades K to 8th grade from these two facilities (380 students) plus an overall increase in enrollment of up to 164 students. During construction, all District students would be accommodated at the Robertson Intermediate School at 1 Martin Street, Daly City, California 94014. The Site is being cleaned up to protect humans and the environment, and to prepare the Site for reconstruction.

In 2014 an environmental investigation at this Site detected elevated levels of organochlorine pesticides (OCP: chlordane, dieldrin, heptachlor epoxide and toxaphene), Polychlorinated Biphenyls (PCBs) and lead were detected around the perimeter of some of the existing and former structures. The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) will oversee the cleanup activities proposed in the draft RAW.

Public Comment Period



**April 28, 2016 -
May 30, 2016**

DTSC will accept public comments on the draft RAW for the Bayshore Elementary School Reconstruction Project during the public comment period **April 28, 2016 - May 30, 2016**. All comments must be received by **May 30, 2016**. Send all comments to:

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SITE HISTORY AND INVESTIGATIONS

The Site has been a school since 1938 and currently consists of an administrative building, multi-purpose building, classroom buildings (including several portables), and a playground area.

Additional school buildings were added in the 1950s. The original school building was removed and replaced in the 1960s.

Environmental investigations conducted at the Site in September 2014 found the primary contaminants OCP: (chlordane, dieldrin, heptachlor epoxide and toxaphene), PCBs, and lead were detected around the perimeter of some of the existing and former structures. The lead is from the weathering of lead-based paint applied to exterior walls. OCPs (chlordane, dieldrin, heptachlor epoxide and toxaphene) is from the use of termiticides for pest control. The PCBs are from the weathering from window caulking in older buildings.

PROPOSED CLEANUP ALTERNATIVES

Four remedy selection alternatives were evaluated in the draft RAW for the Site. All alternatives are described in detail in the draft RAW, but are summarized below.

Alternative 1: No Action

Alternative 2: Excavation and Disposal

Alternative 3: Treatment

Alternative 4: Engineering and Institutional Controls

PREFERRED CLEANUP ALTERNATIVE

The preferred cleanup alternative proposed is Alternative 2, Excavation and Disposal. This alternative would effectively reduce the contamination at the Site by removing the contaminated soil above the most restrictive residential land use values. If this alternative is approved, approximately 1,500 cubic yards (approximately 2430 tons) of soil will be excavated and disposed at an appropriately permitted offsite disposal facility. Excavation will be completed from the following Areas of Concern (AOC):

AOC – A: located along the eastern property boundary;

AOC – B: located at the southwest corner of the Site; **AOC – C:** Located north of a former school building. It is likely that the excavated soil will be stockpiled in between trucks leaving and arriving to dispose of the soil. All soil stockpiles will be located in a designated area onsite, and will be placed on an impermeable material to prevent contamination of the ground beneath. Excavations will be backfilled to grade with native and/or imported clean fill as needed to grade.

SAFETY & DUST CONTROL

Large equipment, such as excavators and backhoes, will be used to excavate and stockpile the contaminated soil. Large soil transfer trucks will be used to haul contaminated soil to the appropriately permitted off-site disposal facilities. The following actions will be implemented during the soil cleanup process to ensure public safety and minimize dust:

- The staging area will be fenced to restrict access;
- Perimeter fencing will be equipped with dust screens to reduce potential for off-site dust migration;
- Stockpiled soil will be covered with tarps or other protective sheeting;
- Water spray will be used to control dust generation;
- Monitoring of the dust generated during the soil remediation activities will be conducted;
- Tarps or other suitable cover will be used on trucks hauling the excavated soil.

SOIL REMOVAL AND TRUCK ROUTE

Propose clean up activities will occur between the hours of 8 A.M. to 5 P.M., Monday - Friday. Approximately 1,500 cubic yards of contaminated soil will be transported to a State-licensed disposal facility. The trucks (approximately 110 trucks loads) will be operated by a licensed hazardous waste trucking contractor.



CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

In compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), DTSC is a Responsible Agency under CEQA. A Responsible Agency is defined in CEQA Guidelines (14 CCR § 15381) as a public agency which proposes to carry out or approve a project, for which the lead agency is preparing or has prepared an Environmental Impact Report or Negative Declaration. For the purposes of CEQA, the term “responsible agency” includes all public agencies other than the lead agency which have discretionary approval power over the project.

While DTSC is a Responsible Agency under CEQA, it will serve as lead for the purposes of this response action. DTSC has reviewed the District’s Initial Study and Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND), to ensure that any potential environmental impacts associated with the activities discussed in the RAW are addressed, and has confirmed that the proposed changes have been amended to the IS/MND. If they are, DTSC will prepare a draft Notice of Determination (NOD).

NEXT STEPS

DTSC will review and consider comments received during the public comment period before making a final decision to approve, modify or deny the draft RAW. If comments are received, DTSC will prepare a Response to Comments letter at the completion of the public comment period. Anyone who submits comments will receive a copy of the Response to Comments letter, in addition, a copy will be placed in the information repositories listed below.

INFORMATION REPOSITORIES

The draft RAW, NOD and other related documents may be viewed at the following locations:

Bayshore Elementary School District Office 1 Martin Street Daly City, California 94014 Dr. Audra Pittman, Superintendent (415) 467-5443 8 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. (M-F)	Bayshore Branch Public Library 460 Martin Street Daly City, California 94014 Branch Manager (650) 991-8074; Call for hours	DTSC – Sacramento Regional Office 8800 Cal Center Drive Sacramento, California 95826 (916) 255-3758, Call for an appointment
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Information can also be found online at DTSC’s Envirostor website: www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov/public

CONTACT INFORMATION

The following individuals may be contacted with any questions or concerns you may have regarding the project.

For questions regarding the draft RAW and general project details, contact:

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