



NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

**BERKELEY AUTO REPAIR
2366/2378 San Pablo Avenue
Berkeley, California**



February 20, 2007 through March 22, 2007

The California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) is requesting public comment on a Draft Removal Action Workplan (RAW) for the Berkeley Auto Repair site located at 2366/2378 at San Pablo Avenue, Berkeley, California. Auto repair shops operated at the Site from 1983 to 1988 under various names. Currently, the Site is fenced off and there are no on-going business activities. Past investigations indicate that there are elevated levels of lead in the soil on the property. The cleanup of the property is protective of human health and will allow residential land use. The contaminated soil will be disposed at an appropriate landfill.

The Public Comment period will run from **February 20, 2007 through March 22, 2007**. The Draft RAW proposes excavation of approximately 75 cubic yards (5 truckloads) of contaminated soil with disposal to an approved landfill. To comply with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), DTSC has evaluated the project to determine potential environmental impacts of the proposed cleanup plan. DTSC has determined that the proposed cleanup plan is exempt from CEQA and would have no negative impact on the environment and public health. Therefore, DTSC is proposing to issue a Notice of Exemption for the project.

A copy of the Draft RAW, Notice of Exemption and other site related documents are available for review in the Information Repository located at:

700 Heinz Avenue
Berkeley, CA 94710
(510) 540-3800
Hours: Monday-Friday 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
Please call for an appointment.

The public is invited to comment on the RAW during the public comment period which runs from **February 20, 2007 through March 22, 2007**. All public comments will be carefully considered in making the final decision for the site. Written comments must be postmarked by March 22, 2007. Please mail your comments to Katharine Hilf, Project Manager, DTSC, 700 Heinz Avenue, Berkeley, CA 94710, by phone at (510)-540-3817 or email your comments to her at khilf@dtsc.ca.gov. All telephone and email comments must be received by **5:00 p.m. on March 22, 2007**.

For information about public participation and community involvement, please contact Nancy Cook, Public Participation Specialist, DTSC, at (510) 540-3923 or email her at ncook@dtsc.ca.gov. For media inquiries, please direct your calls to Angela Blanchette at (510) 540-3732 or email her at ablanche@dtsc.ca.gov.

For more information about DTSC visit our website at www.dtsc.ca.gov. For more information on the Site, go to our website and click on "Find a Site Near You" under "Cleaning up Contamination", then type in Berkeley, then click on Berkeley Auto Repair.