



NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD
REMOVAL ACTION WORKPLAN AND NOTICE OF EXEMPTION
Drill Site 26
Ford City, Kern County, California

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: October 14, 2011 through November 14, 2011

WHAT IS BEING PROPOSED? The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) invites you to comment on a draft Removal Action Workplan (RAW) for the 2 acre Drill Site 26 (DS 26) that exists as two separate vacant lots located at the intersection of Ash and Monroe Streets, Ford City, California 93268. The RAW focuses on the proposed cleanup and removal of approximately 400 cubic yards of lead impacted soil at nine locations at DS 26 that exceed the residential California Human Health Screening Levels (CHHSL) for lead.

DS 26 is one of eight former drill sites that are part of the Naval Petroleum Reserve No. 2 (NPR-2) created by Executive Order in 1912 to preserve potential petroleum resources for national defense purposes. The drill sites were never used for their intended purpose and remained as open land within Ford City.

Unauthorized dumping and burning of trash occurred on DS 26 from the 1920s through the 1950s resulting in elevated levels of lead in soil.

The majority of lead contaminated soil originally present at DS 26 has been removed; however, additional lead contaminated soil (400 cubic yards) remained on site, one foot or more below the existing ground surface.

The RAW describes in detail previous investigations and proposed cleanup activities, including future confirmation sampling to verify that the remaining soil will be cleaned up to CHHSL standards.

As required by California Law, DTSC has performed a review of the proposed RAW in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Based on that review, DTSC has determined that the RAW will not have any significant adverse effects on public health or the environment, and proposes to issue a CEQA Notice of Exemption (NOE) in connection with this project.

DTSC encourages you to review and provide comments on the RAW during the Public Comment Period running from **October 14, 2011 through November 14, 2011**. DTSC will consider all comments before finalizing its decision to approve the RAW. All public comments must be **postmarked or received by November 14, 2011**. All comments should refer to the draft RAW and must be sent to the following:

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Please note, due to low public interest, a public meeting has not been scheduled for this project.

WHERE DO I GET MORE INFORMATION? The draft RAW and CEQA NOE are available at the Taft Library located at 27 Emmons Park Drive, Taft, CA 93268, or visit our DTSC EnviroStor website at:http://www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov/public/profile_report.asp?global_id=71002340

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