



NOTICE OF A PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD ON
THE INTERIM REMOVAL ACTION WORKPLAN
FOR SOIL CLEANUP
FMC CORPORATION MODESTO



The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) invites your comments on the Interim Removal Action Workplan (IRAW) or interim soil cleanup plan at the FMC Corporation former manufacturing facility, 1200 Graphics Drive, Modesto, California, 95351.

The draft IRAW outlines plans to dig up and truck off about 3,100 cubic yards of soil having barium, arsenic, and polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbons at amounts exceeding levels that are protective of human health for commercial use. The draft IRAW also provides plans to dig up and dispose of soil containing total petroleum hydrocarbons in order to protect water quality. DTSC will develop a final cleanup plan at a later date to address all groundwater contamination.

As required under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), DTSC must evaluate the environmental effects from any proposed cleanup actions. FMC is surrounded by commercial property and the distance to residences is approximately ½ mile, south of Highway 99. Transportation trucks will have direct access to Highway 99 without going through residential neighborhoods. Additionally, the digging work plan outlines dust and erosion control measures and air monitoring during the digging, stockpiling, loading activities. Therefore, DTSC has determined that the cleanup qualifies for a Categorical Exemption (referred to as a Notice of Exemption) under CEQA.

If approved, FMC plans to begin digging in late summer, finishing in the fall this year.

The public comment period begins June 14, 2006, and ends July 14, 2006. You may send all comments in writing to Mr. Randy Adams, Project Manager, DTSC, 8800 Cal Center Drive, Sacramento California, 95826 or by e-mail to RAdams@dtsc.ca.gov. Comments must be postmarked or delivered by July 14, 2006.

You may review the Draft IRAW and the Notice of Exemption at the Modesto Free Public Library, 1500 I Street, Modesto, California 95354. These documents are also on our website, www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov/public. You may also review all records contained in the full administrative record at the:

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Please contact Mr. Randy Adams at (916) 255-3591 to make the necessary arrangements.

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