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**Inside: Information on Liston Aluminum Brick Company, Corona, CA**



The mission of DTSC is to protect California's people and environment from harmful effects of toxic substances through the restoration of contaminated resources, enforcement, regulation, and pollution prevention.

## Proposed Cleanup for Liston Aluminum Brick Company Site, Corona, is Available For Public Review & Comment

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) invites the public to review and comment on a proposed plan to remove contaminated soil at the Liston Aluminum Brick Company (Site) property at 3710 Temescal Canyon Road in Corona. The proposed plan, called a draft Removal Action Workplan (RAW) describes in detail the environmental investigation conducted, technical findings, and the proposed project activities to remove the contaminated soil from the Site. Under the California Environmental Quality Act, (CEQA), DTSC prepared an Initial Study and proposes a Negative Declaration, as the proposed cleanup actions will not have a significant negative impact on human health and the environment. If approved, the RAW proposes excavation, transportation and off-site disposal of contaminated soil.

Our agency, DTSC, is a department within the California Environmental Protection Agency, and is responsible for overseeing environmental investigations and cleanup activities at sites such as the Liston Brick Company Site. This fact sheet provides information on:

- Why Cleanup Is Necessary
- Site History
- Site Investigation & Results
- Proposed Cleanup plan – draft RAW
- Safety Measures
- California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)
- How You Can Participate
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There is **no** immediate health risk because contaminated soil found at the Site is below ground and the Site is fenced and locked restricting public access and exposure. However, because contaminants at the Site are above DTSC's protective standards, DTSC is requiring a cleanup plan be developed and implemented to protect human health and the environment long-term.

### Public Comment Period



**July 11th, – August 11th, 2014**

A **30-day public comment period** is being held to receive public comments on the draft Removal Action Workplan (RAW) and CEQA Negative Declaration. **All public comments must be post-marked or e-mailed on or before August 11th, 2014, and sent to:**

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Project documents are available for public review at the Information Repository locations listed on page 3.



**Why Cleanup is Necessary**

DTSC determined that there are chemicals present in soil above acceptable levels. Therefore, cleanup is necessary to protect long-term public health. It is believed the contamination occurred from past on-site operations in various areas. DTSC will oversee the proposed cleanup activities and ensure work is performed in a manner that does not harm people or the environment.

**Site History**

The site was vacant, undeveloped land from about 1931 to the 1950s when it was developed by Liston Brick Company for manufacturing bricks and other clay products. In 1975, the site was redeveloped as Liston Aluminum Brick Company and formerly contained multiple buildings of about 56,000 square feet and included an aluminum foundry with furnaces, and an office building. Liston received aluminum scrap that was smelted in furnaces, and cast in molds to form aluminum foundry ingots, which were sold to manufacturers.

**Site Investigation and Results**

*Soil*—Historical environmental investigations performed at the site revealed soil contamination. Elevated levels of Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons (TPHs), Polycyclic Aromatic Hydrocarbons (PAHs), Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs), and metals were found in soil up to 15 feet below ground surface.

*Groundwater* – Based on sampling results collected, no significant chemicals were detected in groundwater in the wells.

**Proposed Cleanup Plan – draft RAW**

To address the contaminated soil, the draft RAW proposes:

*Soil Excavation* – About 1,520 cubic yards of contaminated soil will be excavated. Excavated areas will be backfilled with clean on-site soil.

*Off-Site Disposal* – Excavated contaminated soil will be stockpiled or loaded onto trucks and transported off-site, and disposed at a licensed disposal facility.

*Sludge Disposal & Vault Removal* – Liquid and sludge found will be removed from Vault 1 and disposed as non-hazardous waste. Vault 1 & 2 will also be removed.

*Groundwater Monitoring Well Abandonment* – Three groundwater monitoring wells will be abandoned in

accordance with local regulatory requirements. Once soil confirmation sampling is completed the excavated areas will be graded.

**Safety Measures**

To protect the surrounding community during the proposed field activities, the following safety measures will be conducted:

*Health & Safety Plan* - Field work would be conducted according to a Site-Specific Health and Safety Plan.

*Site Perimeter Fencing* – Perimeter fencing restricts unauthorized access at the site.

*Dust Suppression* - Dust will be suppressed by spraying water on soil to ensure that dust generated is minimized. Stockpiled soil will be covered with plastic sheeting to also reduce fugitive dust.

*Air Monitoring* – Air monitoring will be conducted to ensure that dust stays at safe levels.

*Truck Contents Covered* - Trucks leaving the site containing contaminated soil will be covered, and trucks will have their tires brushed and cleaned to ensure no impacted soil is tracked into the street.

**California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)**

DTSC is required by CEQA to consider projects that have a potential to impact the environment before approval. DTSC has prepared an Initial Study and proposes a Negative Declaration, as the proposed activities will not have a significant effect on human health and the environment.

**How to Participate and Submit Your Comments**

DTSC encourages you to review the draft RAW and related documents.

**The 30-day public comment period for the draft RAW and CEQA Negative Declaration begins July 11th, 2014 and ends August 11th, 2014. All public comments must be postmarked or e-mailed on or before August 11th, 2014, and sent to:**

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**Where to Find Project Documents**

Copies of the draft RAW, CEQA Negative Declaration, and related project documents are available for public review at the following Information Repositories:

El Cerrito Branch Library  
7581 Rudell Road  
Corona, CA 92881-4279  
Monday – Thursday: 3 pm – 7 pm  
Saturday: 10 am – 2 pm  
Phone: (951) 270-5012

Corona Public Library  
650 S. Main Street  
Corona, CA 92882-3417  
Monday – Wednesday 10 am-9 pm  
Thursday & Friday 10 am – 5 pm  
Saturday 12 pm – 5 pm  
Phone: (951) 736-2381

Riverside County Transportation Commission  
4080 Lemon Street, Third Floor  
Riverside, CA 92501-3609  
Phone: (951) 787-7141

Department of Toxic Substances Control  
5796 Corporate Avenue  
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(714) 484-5337  
Monday – Friday: 8 am – 5 pm  
Please contact Ms. Jone Barrio at the above number to make an appointment.

Online:  
[https://www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov/public/profile\\_report.asp?global\\_id=33330022](https://www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov/public/profile_report.asp?global_id=33330022)

**Whom to Contact at DTSC for Information**

If you have questions about the draft RAW, CEQA Negative Declaration, or other project related activities please contact the following DTSC staff:

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**Next Steps**

DTSC will respond to all public comments received during the public comment period before a final decision is made. Field work is expected to begin in the fall of 2014, and is planned to take about three (3) months to complete. Work will be conducted between 8 am and 5 pm during weekdays. No work will be conducted on Saturdays, Sundays or holidays. No street or road closures are anticipated to occur.

**Notice to Hearing Impaired**

TTY users may use the California Relay Service at 711 in state or 1-800-855-7100 outside California. You may also call (714) 484-5338 to reach Marcia Rubin, DTSC Public Participation Specialist or toll-free 1-866-495-5651.

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