



NOTICE OF DECISION ON
THE INTERIM REMEDIAL ACTION PLAN
FOR GROUNDWATER CLEANUP
INACTIVE RANCHO CORDOVA TEST SITE



The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) announces its decision on the Interim Remedial Action Plan (IRAP) or cleanup plan for contamination in groundwater at the Inactive Rancho Cordova Test Site and off site south of Douglas Road bordering the Inactive Rancho Cordova Test Site. This decision adopts a cleanup program to contain and control perchlorate, a salt used to fuel rockets, road flares and used in other products. It will also contain and control trichloroethene, a volatile organic compound that is often used as an industrial degreasing cleaner. Both substances impact groundwater south of Douglas Road and south of the Inactive Rancho Cordova Test Site. The Inactive Rancho Cordova Test Site is located east of Sunrise Boulevard and Douglas Road, south of U.S. Highway 50 in Rancho Cordova, California.

The IRAP establishes the operation of a groundwater extraction and treatment system to contain and control both the perchlorate and the trichloroethene plumes. Investigation will continue until the full extent of all groundwater contamination is known and all sources are known. DTSC will develop a final groundwater cleanup plan at a later date to address all groundwater contamination.

DTSC published a public notice on the Draft IRAP and the proposed California Environmental Quality Act Negative Declaration on October 13, 2005. Also, DTSC held a public meeting on October 25, 2005, during the public comment period that started October 13, 2005 and ended on November 14, 2005.

In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), DTSC must evaluate the environmental effects from any proposed cleanup actions. DTSC prepared an Initial Study that evaluated the potential environmental impacts from the proposed actions. DTSC determined that the IRAP is unlikely to produce any significant negative environmental impacts and therefore DTSC has certified a Negative Declaration for this project under CEQA.

The operation of the groundwater extraction and treatment system will begin this year.

You may review the Final IRAP and the Response to Comments at the Rancho Cordova Public Library, 9845 Folsom Blvd., Sacramento, CA 95827. You may also review the full administrative record at the:

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