

NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD
DRAFT REMOVAL ACTION WORK PLAN
Former Richmond Substation S
Richmond, California

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: May 28, 2009 through June 29, 2009

WHAT'S BEING PROPOSED?

The California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) invites public comment on the Draft Removal Action Work Plan (RAW) for the Pacific Gas and Electric (PG&E) Former Richmond Substation S (site). This work plan describes the removal and off-site disposal of approximately 208 cubic yards (291 tons) of soil and concrete from the site. The site is a 0.047-acre rectangular-shaped vacant lot in a mixed-use area that includes commercial, residential, and industrial development. The site is surrounded by a metal plating facility to the south and east, Nevin Avenue to the north, and a bakery equipment manufacturing facility to the west. During a site environmental investigation, concentrations of arsenic and total petroleum hydrocarbons (TPH) exceeding conservative human health risk-based screening levels were detected in shallow soils across the site. Therefore, DTSC recommended that PG&E remove the contaminated soils and transport them to a permitted off-site disposal facility.

DTSC has prepared a draft Notice of Exemption (NOE) for this project, as required by the California Environmental Quality Act. The draft NOE document states that the removal action will have no significant impact on the environment or community. The draft NOE and the draft RAW are available for your review at the information repositories listed below.

HOW DO I PARTICIPATE?

Your participation is encouraged. Comments concerning the draft RAW may be submitted in writing to Mr. Jacinto Soto, DTSC Project Manager, 700 Heinz Avenue, Berkeley, California 94710 or by email to JSoto@dtsc.ca.gov. All mail must be **received by June 29, 2009**. Emailed comments must be received by DTSC no later than 5 PM on June 29, 2009.

WHERE DO I GET MORE INFORMATION?

Copies of the draft RAW and draft NOE are available for public review at the information repositories listed below:

Department of Toxic Substances Control

DTSC File Room
700 Heinz Avenue
Berkeley, California 94710
(510) 540-3800
Please call for an appointment.

City of Richmond Main Branch Library

325 Civic Center Plaza
Richmond, California 94804
(510) 620-6561
www.ci.richmond.ca.us
Please call or visit the library webpage for current hours.

The draft RAW and other site-related reports are also available online at DTSC's EnviroStor website:
<http://www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov/public>.

CONTACT:

If you have any questions regarding the draft RAW or draft NOE, please contact Mr. Jacinto Soto, DTSC Project Manager, at (510) 540-3842 or by e-mail at JSoto@dtsc.ca.gov. For information about public participation and community involvement, please contact Ms. Tammy Pickens, DTSC Public Participation Specialist, at (916) 255-3594, toll free (866) 495-5651 or by e-mail at TPickens@dtsc.ca.gov. For media inquiries, please direct your calls to Ms. Claudia Loomis, DTSC Public Information Officer at (916) 255-6578 or e-mail at CLoomis@dtsc.ca.gov. For more information about DTSC, visit our website at www.dtsc.ca.gov.