

Public Notice

The mission of DTSC is to protect California's people and environment from harmful effects of toxic substances by restoring contaminated resources, enforcing hazardous waste laws, reducing hazardous waste generation, and encouraging the manufacture of chemically safer products.

Draft Cleanup Plan for Proposed Pathway High School Independent Studies (a Portion of Hosler Middle School), Available for Public Review & Comment Public Comment Period: October 19th, – November 18th, 2017

WHAT IS BEING PROPOSED? The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) invites public review and comment on a proposed cleanup plan at an undeveloped and unoccupied portion of the Hosler Middle School campus located at 11397 Bullis Road, in Lynwood. The proposed cleanup plan, called a draft Removal Action Work Plan (RAW), was developed specifically for a small portion of the campus to allow the Lynwood Unified School District (LUSD) to move forward with their proposed Pathway High School Independent Studies project (Project). If approved, the project includes installing modular buildings to house about 14 students and five faculty personnel. The RAW and Project, funded through Bond Measure K, was approved by the residents of the City of Lynwood in November 2012. DTSC is the lead regulatory agency overseeing the environmental investigation and proposed cleanup activities for the Site.

Environmental investigations at the Site found small areas of lead- and dieldrin-contaminated soil. DTSC determined the contaminants present in soil are above DTSC's protective standards and required LUSD to develop a cleanup plan to remove the contaminated soil and support Project development. The removal area was impacted by historic applications of lead-based paint and termiticide to a former warehouse that was removed in 2015. The draft RAW proposes excavation, transportation and off-site disposal of about 148 cubic yards (about 14 trucks) of impacted soil from an area of about 60 feet by 25 feet, and three smaller adjacent areas (dimensions measuring from 7 feet by 10 feet up to 15 feet by 15 feet), to a depth of about two (2) feet. Water will be sprayed in soil areas to ensure dust stays at safe levels, decontamination procedures will be implemented to ensure impacted soil stays within work areas, and air quality will be monitored to ensure dust levels remain protective of the community. Confirmation sampling will be conducted to ensure cleanup goals have been met. Approved work would take about two (2) days to complete.

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) - CEQA is a state law that requires state and local agencies to identify environmental impacts, if any, of their actions, prior to approval of the RAW. Under CEQA, DTSC determined the removal action will not have a significant effect on human health and the environment and thus has prepared a Notice of Exemption (NOE).

HOW YOU CAN PARTICIPATE - We encourage your participation. A 30-day public comment period is being held to receive public comments on the draft RAW. **The 30-day public comment period begins October 19th, and ends November 18th, 2017. All public comments must be postmarked or e-mailed no later than November 18th, 2017,** and sent to: Dr. Scarlett Xihong Zhai, DTSC Project Manager, 5796 Corporate Avenue, Cypress, CA, 90630-4732 or via e-mail: Xihong.Zhai@dtsc.ca.gov.

WHERE TO GET MORE INFORMATION? - The draft RAW and other Site related documents are available for review at:

Lynwood Library
11320 Bullis Road
Lynwood, CA 90262
(310) 635-7121 Call for hours

Department of Toxic Substances Control
DTSC File Room
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