



**NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD
on the Draft Removal Action Workplan and Proposed
Negative Declaration for the Salz Leather, Inc. Site
in Santa Cruz, California**



The California Environmental Protection Agency, Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) requests public comment on a draft Removal Action Workplan (RAW) and proposed CEQA Negative Declaration to cleanup soil and groundwater at the former Salz Leather, Inc. Site located at 1040 River Street in Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz County, California. The cleanup plan, referred to as a Draft Removal Action Workplan, includes removal of contaminated soil impacted by arsenic cadmium, hexavalent chromium, lead and fuel oil, capping of areas with residual chemicals, soil vapor extraction to address volatile chemicals and continued groundwater monitoring.

The public is invited to comment on the Draft RAW and CEQA Negative Declaration during the public comment period which runs from August 30, 2005 through September 30, 2005. All public comments will be carefully considered in making the final decision for the site. Written comments must be postmarked by September 30, 2005 and should be sent to the attention of Ms. Janet Naito, DTSC Project Manager, 700 Heinz Avenue, Suite 200, Berkeley, California 94710. Comments submitted electronically should be sent to Ms. Naito at jnaito@dtsc.ca.gov, no later than 5:00 p.m. on September 30, 2005.

Information Repositories: Copies of the Removal Action Workplan, CEQA Negative Declaration and other related technical reports are available for public review at the Santa Cruz Redevelopment Agency Offices located at 337 Locust Street in Santa Cruz and at the Central Branch of the Santa Cruz Public Library located at 224 Church Street in Santa Cruz. The full administrative record and files pertaining to this matter are available for public review at the Department of Toxic Substances Control, 700 Heinz Avenue, File Room, Berkeley, California 94710.

If you would like to discuss this project with a DTSC representative, please call Ms. Janet Naito, DTSC Project Manager, at 510-540-3833 or email her at jnaito@dtsc.ca.gov. For information about public participation and community involvement, contact Nancy Cook at (510) 540-3923 or email her at ncook@dtsc.ca.gov. For media inquiries, please direct your calls to Angela Blanchette at (510) 540-3732 or email her at Email: ablanche@dtsc.ca.gov.