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# WORK NOTICE and COMMUNITY OPEN HOUSE

## Sherwin-Williams Site

1450 Sherwin Avenue  
Emeryville, California 94608

### Removal of Cap and Excavation Work to begin in June 2011

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) wants to inform you about the cleanup activities occurring at the Sherwin-Williams Site, located at 1450 Sherwin Avenue in Emeryville. Workers will soon begin the removal of the raised cap and the excavation of contaminated soil. The non-hazardous waste from the excavation will be trucked to local landfills and the hazardous waste will be shipped to out-of-state disposal facilities by rail. As described in the project's Community Safety Plan and summarized below, we will take multiple actions during this process to make sure that you are safe.

**DTSC will hold the next community meeting in the Council Chambers of the Emeryville City Hall, 1333 Park Avenue, in Emeryville on June 30, 2011, at 5:00 P.M.** This meeting will be an Open House style meeting. We expect to have the first perimeter air monitoring results available for review and discussion, and an update on Haiku art that will be posted on the temporary construction fence that has been installed along Horton Street. If you would like to get involved with the Haiku art, submit your questions and/or entries to: [mara@marafeeney.com](mailto:mara@marafeeney.com).

DTSC anticipates that the cap removal will begin the week of June 20, 2011, to be followed immediately with soil excavation and concurrent backfilling. As part of the excavation, a shoring wall will be constructed along Horton Street sidewalk. Work will continue through November 2011. Work hours will remain 7 A.M. to 6 P.M. for the next few months. (Please note that PG&E plans to be working on gas pipelines within the Horton Street right of way in late June, as well.)

We will take the following actions during the cleanup activities to make sure that you are safe:

- Install controls to prevent unauthorized personnel from entering or leaving the Site
- Identify and protect all aboveground and underground utilities in the Site vicinity
- All vehicles will maintain slow speeds while on the Site to minimize dust
- Workers will spray the excavation, stockpiles and other work areas with clean water and other materials to minimize dust and vapor generation and for control odor
- Evaluate real-time perimeter dust and vapor air monitoring and sample results against DTSC-approved protection thresholds (with reports provided to community through Envirositor and on-site postings)
- Install controls to prevent uncontrolled release of stormwater from the Site

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- Evaluate real-time noise and vibration monitoring to confirm effectiveness of controls
- Establish decontamination areas for trucks and personnel at the Site to prevent unauthorized movement of contamination leaving the Site; all truck loads of waste will be covered prior to leaving the Site
- Institute traffic controls for trucks entering and leaving the Site along the designated off-site truck route, Halleck Street, including a flagger for directing interaction between trucks and community members
- Although controls will be in place to prevent off-site movement of contaminated soil, street sweeping will be utilized, as needed, to remove sediments visible in the adjacent public streets
- Trucks and equipment will not be allowed to idle for more than 5 minutes

In addition, Sherwin-Williams has established a 24-hour toll-free Community HotLine: (866) 848-5307. You may call this number to report a concern or a problem. Your information will be recorded and routed to the appropriate person for a response and/or action. Telephone numbers for our staff are listed below. The Community Safety Plan lists contact information for several other agencies involved with the oversight of this project.

The Community Safety Plan and other Site documents can be found at: [www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov](http://www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov). (In the city box, please type in “Emeryville” and then click on “report” for Sherwin-Williams.)

***If you have any questions regarding this field work please contact:***

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**DTSC invites you to a June 30 Community Open House**