

COMMUNITY Notice

The mission of DTSC is to protect California's people and environment from harmful effects of toxic substances through the restoration of contaminated resources, enforcement, regulation and pollution prevention.

You may comment on a Proposed Remedy for soil/ groundwater at The Railyards in Sacramento

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) invites public review and comments on the Draft Remedial Action Plan (Draft RAP) for the Central Shops Study Area Soil and South Plume Study Area Groundwater. This plan is part of the cleanup at The Railyards located at 501 Jibboom Street in Sacramento.

The Railyards was previously owned by Southern Pacific Transportation Company (SPTCo); Union Pacific Railroad Company (UPRR); and S. Thomas Enterprises of Sacramento, LLC. The Railyards property is now owned by IA Sacramento Holdings, LLC and the City of Sacramento. UPRR is the Responsible Party for cleanup under a 1988 Enforceable Agreement with DTSC.

History and Operations

The Railyards is about 240 acres located north of downtown Sacramento and served as a locomotive maintenance and rebuilding facility from 1860s to the early 1990s. Please see the map on page two.

Cleanup has been occurring since 1988. Due to the size of the cleanup, DTSC, SPTCo and UPRR divided the property into first six and now eight study areas for soil and two study areas for groundwater. Interim actions were implemented to remove source contaminants from soil and to prevent the groundwater plumes from expanding. Approximately 200 acres of the Railyards have been cleaned up. Extraction and treatment of groundwater is about 400,000 gallons per day.

Central Shops Study Area (Soil)

The Central Shops is about 31 acres located at the center of the Railyards. Please see the map on page two. Locomotives and railcars were built and refurbished in this area. Historical operations resulted in the release of metals, petroleum, and



Public meeting -- March 12, 2013

You can comment on the draft RAP. The public comment period begins **February 19** and ends **March 20, 2013**.

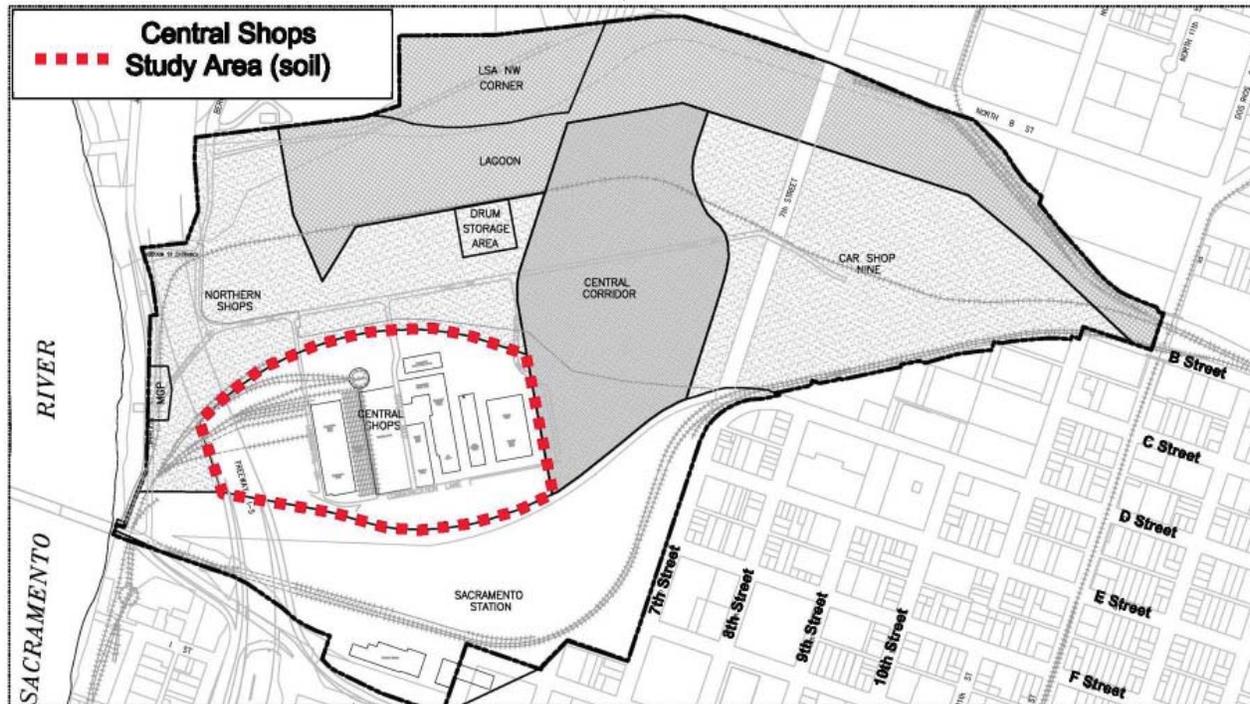
Your comments may be sent to **Ruth Cayabyab**
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DTSC will hold a public meeting to discuss the draft RAP on:

March 12, 2013
6:30 to 8:30 p.m.
Stanford Gallery
111 "I" Street
First Floor
Sacramento CA 95814

On Street and City lot parking available





solvents in primarily the upper 10 feet of soil, and solvents in deeper soil.

Historic brick buildings are located in Central Shops. All but two buildings, which are currently used by the California State Railroad Museum, have been cleaned up for lead paint and asbestos. The additional abatement work is not within the Draft RAP’s scope.

The City of Sacramento has conducted their Track Relocation and West Tunnel Ramp Projects in the Central Shops area.

South Plume Study Area (Groundwater)

The South Plume is defined by the occurrence of solvents in groundwater ranging in depth between approximately 25 and 180 feet below ground surface. It extends from the Central Shops to downtown Sacramento (to approximately

Q Street to the south, 5th Street to the West, and 12th Street to the East). Please see the figure on page three.

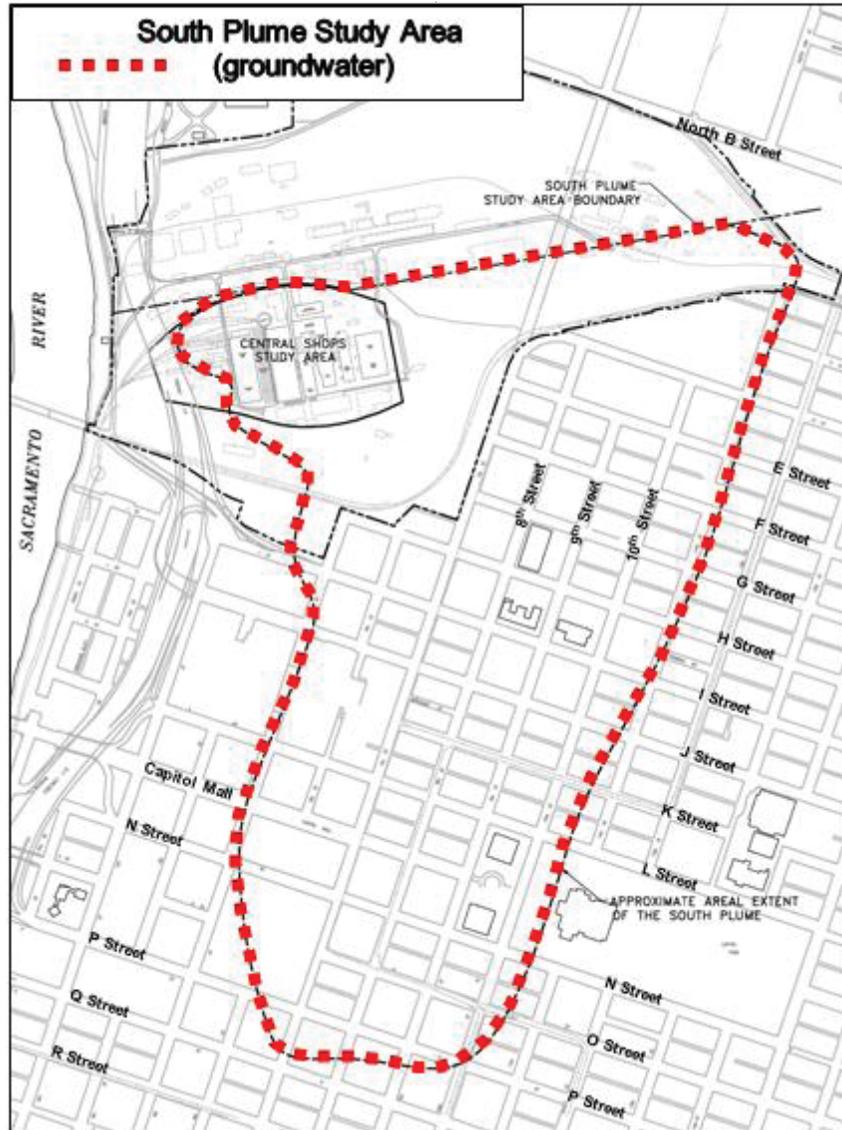
Although the South Plume extends downtown, groundwater does not pose a risk outside the Railyards property because:

- 1) a clean layer of groundwater prevents soil vapor from escaping from contaminated groundwater, and
- 2) groundwater from the Railyards is not a source for drinking water; the City collects drinking water from the American and Sacramento Rivers.

What does the plan propose?

The draft RAP identifies cleanup goals and remedy alternatives for the project, and it identifies a preferred alternative. The proposed remedy addresses impacted soil, groundwater, and potential soil vapor issues in a manner that accomodates the planned land uses.





Proposed soil remedy elements:

- Excavation or capping in areas where contamination remains above cleanup goals;
- Excavation without compromising historic structures, active tracks, or permanent utilities;
- Soil vapor extraction system, including under existing buildings.

Proposed groundwater remedy elements:

- Air injection to move contaminants upward so they can be captured and removed from wells located in trenches;
- Groundwater extraction and treatment;
- Plume containment;
- Monitored natural attenuation.



Proposed soil vapor remedy components:

- Soil Vapor extraction;
- Vapor mitigation system for buildings.

Proposed institutional controls:

- Land use covenants identifying restrictions to the use of the property;
- Operations and maintenance (O&M) plan and O&M agreement for the long term maintenance of the remedy.

Can these cleanup actions have environmental impacts?

The City of Sacramento, as Lead Agency under California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), prepared the Final Railyards Specific Plan Environmental Impact Report (FEIR). DTSC considered the effects described in the City's FEIR and concluded that approval of the Draft RAP would not result in significant impacts to the environment. DTSC has prepared an Addendum to the FEIR having determined this as the appropriate document under CEQA. Upon approval of the Draft RAP, DTSC will file a Notice of Determination to start the 30-day statute of limitations on court challenges to the approval under CEQA.

For More Information

If you have any questions, contact Ruth Cayabyab, Project Manager, (916) 255-3601, Ruth.Cayabyab@dtsc.ca.gov. You may also contact Nathan Schumacher, Public Participation Specialist, (916) 255-3650, Nathan.Schumacher@dtsc.ca.gov

Information Repositories

The Draft Remedial Action Plan, the environmental review documents, and others are available for public review at the following location:

Sacramento Central Public Library

828 I Street

Sacramento, California

For information, please call (916) 264-2700.

The hours are Sundays 12 - 5 pm;

Mondays and Fridays 10 am - 6 pm;

Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays 10 am - 9 pm;
and Saturdays 10 am - 5 pm.

You can also review documents at our web site: <http://www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov/public/>. Please type in Sacramento and select the Union Pacific Downtown Sacramento Central Shops below the map. Click on this entry.

The full Administrative Record is available at the DTSC Sacramento Office File Room at:

8800 Cal Center Drive

Sacramento, California 95826

For information, contact Amy Ly

(916) 255-4159 or 916-255-3758

TDD users can obtain information about the Sacramento Railyards site by using the California State Relay Service at 711 or 1-(800) 735-2929 to reach Nathan Schumacher at (916) 255-3650 about the Sacramento Railyards.