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DTSC STATUS REPORT UPDATE

South Richmond Shoreline Sites

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The purpose of this update is to inform the community of activities that have occurred since April 13, 2006 and activities that are expected to occur in the next 30 days at the South Richmond Shoreline Sites.

Zeneca/Former Stauffer Chemical Site

Activities Completed:

- The Responsible Parties have begun drafting a cleanup plan for the PCB/VOC area located in the northwest portion of Lot 1 for DTSC review and comment. After the draft RAW is approved by DTSC, the community will have the opportunity to provide comments to the document. More information will be provided regarding the opportunities for public involvement.
- The Responsible Parties have completed the first phase of field investigations except for sampling of the on-site production well.
- Re-vegetation of East Stege Marsh is on-going as well as a limited amount of soil work to improve drainage from one of the marsh channels.
- The second quarter groundwater monitoring event was begun the week of May 8th and will be completed by May 12, 2006.

Activities Proposed for the Next 30-days:

- Additional channel work in East Stege Marsh will be occurring to further improve drainage of the marsh. The work will be done by hand using shovels.
- Re-planting of the East Stege Marsh and installation of irrigation lines will be on-going.
- The Responsible Parties will be evaluating the sampling data as it is submitted by the analytical laboratories. Evaluation of the data includes conducting a quality assurance and quality control review and review of the data.
- The trees along the northern boundary of the site, adjacent to Meade Street will be removed beginning on May 18. Soil from around the trees will also be removed so that it soil amendment can be added. The amended soil will be placed back and new trees will be planted.
- The signs to be posted on the fence along the Bay Trail have been ordered and are expected to arrive in 30 days.

Harbor Front Site (businesses to the east of Zeneca Site)

Activities Completed:

- DTSC prepared the draft contract documents to install groundwater monitoring wells in the area.

Activities Proposed for the Next 30-days:

- DTSC will be negotiating the contract to install the monitoring wells.
- Completion of the draft Site Investigation document is pending submittal of the final laboratory data. When the data is received, DTSC will review and provide comments to the report. The final document will be made available to the public.

UC Richmond Field Station

- PG&E conducted an investigation to determine the location of the leaking gas line. The leak was found outside of the main gate and was repaired on May 9, 2006. An airtight sleeve was welded over the leak in the exiting gas pipe.
- DTSC has contacted the Bay Conservation and Development Commission and the City of Richmond Redevelopment Agency regarding the fencing and posting of western side of West Stege Marsh. Talks will be continuing.

Bio-Rad Laboratories

Activities Completed:

- DTSC is waiting for a response to comments provided to the Groundwater Extraction Treatability Workplan prepared by Bio-Rad. The workplan was prepared at DTSC's request to evaluate the effectiveness of groundwater treatment technologies on volatile organic compounds (VOCs) at the site.

Marina Bay Area

Area FM – Cleanup of Area FM is not currently projected to start until 2007. Clean soils from an adjacent parcel are currently being stored on site.

Area T – The City of Richmond issued a Request for Proposals on April 14, to hire a contractor to implement the cleanup. Responses are due on May 12. Excavation and offsite disposal of soil contaminated with paint and paint debris, petroleum hydrocarbons and lead is currently projected to begin in the next couple of months, and should be complete by Fall 2006. A Work Notice will be issued to the community before work begins.

West Shores – DTSC approved the Soils Management Plan for the removal of stockpiled soil at the site on April 25, 2006. The Soils Management Plan addresses the removal of 6,500 cubic yards of stockpiled soil – of which 2,500 cubic yards is categorized as hazardous waste due to elevated levels of antimony. 4,000 cubic yards of soil is categorized as non-hazardous waste.

Real-time dust monitoring will be conducted during the excavation and loading of contaminated soil at the site. Soil removal is currently projected to begin in late May/early June 2006. A Work Notice will be sent to the community before work begins.

Steger Property Pistol Range – DTSC staff will be submitting comments to the second revised draft Removal Action Workplan (RAW). A revised draft RAW will then be submitted within 30 days. After the draft RAW is approved by DTSC, the community will have the opportunity to provide comments to the document. More information will be provided regarding the opportunities for public involvement.

Blair Landfill – The field work contained in the Site Investigation Work Plan prepared by Union Pacific Railroad was completed on April 25, 2006. It is anticipated that the Site Investigation Report, documenting the investigation and soil sampling results will be submitted in June 2006 to DTSC.