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NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY DRAFT PROGRAM ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT for the SANTA SUSANA FIELD LABORATORY PROJECT

45-Day Public Comment Period: September 7, 2017 to October 23, 2017

WHAT IS BEING PROPOSED

The California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) is making available for review and comment a draft program environmental impact report (Draft PEIR) for the Santa Susana Field Laboratory Project (SCH# 2013111068). The Draft PEIR considers the impact of remediation of contaminated soil and groundwater at the Santa Susana Field Laboratory (SSFL, or project site), in the Simi Hills between Simi Valley and Los Angeles, California. DTSC is the lead agency responsible for oversight of the proposed project and for preparation of the Draft PEIR, in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) (Public Resources Code, Section 21000 et seq.; California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Chapter 3, Section 15000 et seq. [CEQA Guidelines]).

PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND BACKGROUND

The proposed project includes the approximately 2,850-acre project site and adjacent offsite locations. The Boeing Company (Boeing), NASA and the US Department of Energy (DOE) are the responsible parties (RPs) for the investigation and cleanup of contaminants released due to past activities at SSFL. The 2007 Consent Order and the 2010 Administrative Orders on Consent (AOCs) establish the requirements for cleanup of soil and groundwater at the project site. As a result of the separate orders, the soil cleanup requirements for Boeing areas are different from the soil cleanup requirements for DOE and NASA areas. The soil cleanup requirements for groundwater are derived from the 2007 Consent Order and are the same for all of the RPs. The objective of the proposed project is to implement the 2007 Consent Order and the 2010 AOCs, and to implement other activities associated with the SSFL cleanup. Roughly 541 acres at the project site or in immediately adjacent areas have been targeted for some level of remedial action. A variety of remedial technologies would be considered for soil cleanup, depending on the results of treatability studies.

GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 65962.5 LISTINGS

SSFL is a listed hazardous waste site and, as a result, would create a significant hazard to the public or the environment. There are no schools within one-quarter mile of the project site. However, several surface road routes would be used to access the project site, which are within one-quarter of a mile of schools.

ANY SIGNIFICANT EFFECTS ON THE ENVIRONMENT

The Draft PEIR determined the proposed project would result in potentially significant impacts to aesthetics, air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, geology, soils, and seismicity, greenhouse gas, hazardous and hazardous materials hydrology and water quality, land use, noise, transportation and traffic, and energy consumption. Mitigation measures to reduce these impacts are described in the Draft PEIR. After mitigation measures are applied, significant unavoidable impacts would still remain to air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, hazardous and hazardous materials land use, noise, and transportation and traffic as a result of project implementation. Cumulative impacts for air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, hazardous and hazardous materials, land use, noise, and traffic and transportation were also determined to be significant and unavoidable after implementation of mitigation measures.

45-DAY PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD TO SUBMIT COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT PEIR

DTSC is accepting comments during a 45-day public comment period on the Draft PEIR from September 7, 2017 to October 23, 2017.

LOCATIONS OF OPEN HOUSES / PUBLIC HEARINGS ON THE PROPOSED PROJECT

SIMI VALLEY, CA:

Thursday October 5, 2017
Valley Ballroom, Grand Vista Hotel
999 Enchanted Way, Simi Valley, CA 93065
Open House: 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Public Hearing: 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

CHATSWORTH, CA:

Saturday, October 7, 2017
Social Hall, St. John Eudes Church
9901 Mason Avenue, Chatsworth, CA 91311
Open House: 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.
Public Hearing: 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

LOCATIONS WHERE DOCUMENTS CAN BE REVIEWED

A copy of the Draft PEIR is available for review at the project website ([http://dtsc.ca.gov/SiteCleanup/Santa Susana Field Lab/](http://dtsc.ca.gov/SiteCleanup/Santa_Susana_Field_Lab/)) and the following locations:

California State University, Northridge – Oviatt Library
1811 Nordhoff Street
2nd Floor, Room 265
Northridge, CA 91330

Platt Library
23600 Victory Boulevard
Woodland Hills, CA 91367

Department of Toxic Substances Control – Chatsworth
9211 Oakdale Avenue
Chatsworth, CA 91311

Simi Valley Library
2969 Tapo Canyon Road
Simi Valley, CA 93063

PROJECT CONTACTS

Comments may be submitted at public meetings, submitted online, or mailed (postmarked by October 23, 2017) to:

Mail or Fax Letters and Postcards

SSFL CEQA Comments
California Department of Toxic Substances Control
8800 Cal Center Drive
Sacramento, CA 95826
Fax: (916) 255-3734

Submit Comments Online

<http://SSFL.DTSC.commentinput.com>

All public comments must be postmarked or received by DTSC no later than October 23, 2017, for consideration in the Final PEIR.

ACCOMMODATIONS FOR DISABLED AND INFORMATION FOR THE HEARING IMPAIRED: The public meeting rooms are accessible to people with disabilities. If translation services are needed or if additional accommodations for the disabled are needed, please notify Michelle Banks-Ordone at 818-717-6573 or email to Michelle.Banks-Ordone@dtsc.ca.gov no later than 10 working days before the meeting. TTY users may use the California Relay Service at 711 or 1-800-735-2929.