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### NOTICE OF DRAFT REMOVAL ACTION WORKPLAN AND 30 DAY PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD FOR THE SEA CREST PARCELS SITE, CARSON, CA

#### What Is Being Proposed?

A draft cleanup plan to excavate, remove and dispose of contaminated soil from the Sea Crest Parcels site is available for public review and comment. The proposed cleanup plan, called a draft Removal Action Workplan (RAW) was developed specifically for the 0.5 acre site, located south of 213<sup>th</sup> Street between Alvar Place on the west and Perry Street on the east. The draft RAW describes previous investigations, investigation results, and proposed cleanup plans prepared for this site. Under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), a Notice of Exemption (NOE) is proposed. This is our finding that the proposed soil removal actions will not have a significant effect on public health and the environment. There is no immediate risk because the public is not exposed to the contaminated soil. However, the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) determined there are chemicals present from past operations at the site that are above DTSC's protective standards and require cleanup to protect human health and the environment. The draft RAW, if approved, will allow for excavation and removal of contaminated soil and also allow for future residential development of the property in your community following completion of cleanup activities.

Historic site operations resulted in releases of polychlorinated bi-phenyls (PCBs), volatile organic compounds (VOCs) and petroleum hydrocarbons into soil. Historical records indicate contamination impacts at the site were most likely caused by impacted fill material imported for grading prior to development, in addition to possible releases from historic pipelines that run underneath Perry Street. The site, owned by Shell Oil Company, is composed of nine (9) vacant lots. Also located about ½ block south is Shell's Carson Distribution Facility (former location of a portion of the Dominguez/Wilmington bifurcated refinery complex). Shell historically operated a series of pipelines between the Dominguez and Wilmington portions of the refinery. Eight of these inter-refinery pipelines run in a north-south direction within the right-of-way of Perry Street. These pipelines were abandoned in-place prior to or in the early 1970s. Also located within the Perry Street right-of-way are two active pipelines operated by Tosco (formerly operated by Unocal Corporation) and one pipeline operated by ARCO/Pacific Pipelines (formerly operated by Four Corners Crude). Utility records do not indicate these pipelines have been abandoned, and therefore are presumed to be in active use. Based on the close proximity of the pipeline easement and several abandoned and active pipelines that underlie the length of Perry Street, the potential for residual petroleum hydrocarbons exists on the site. To protect future occupants of the property, DTSC is proposing excavation, removal and transportation of impacted soil.

#### Why This Notice and How You Can Participate

This notice provides the public an opportunity to learn more about the site and submit public comments on the draft RAW. The 30-day public comment period begins **February 18, and ends March 19, 2010**. Public comments must be postmarked or e-mailed no later than **March 19, 2010**, and sent to: Mr. Greg Holmes, DTSC Project Manager, 5796 Corporate Avenue, Cypress, CA 90630-4732, E-mail: [gholmes@dtsc.ca.gov](mailto:gholmes@dtsc.ca.gov). The draft RAW and other site related documents are available for public review at the DTSC office noted and at the Information Repositories listed below. Please contact Julie Johnson at (714) 484-5337 for an appointment if viewing information at DTSC.

Carson Regional Library  
151 East Carson Street  
Carson, CA 90745-2703  
(310) 830-0901

Department of Toxic Substances Control  
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at the above number to make an appointment

**Who to Contact For More Information**

For questions about the Sea Crest Parcels site, please contact Greg Holmes, DTSC Project Manager at (714) 484-5461 or Stacey Lear, DTSC Public Participation Specialist at (714) 484-5354 or toll free 1-888-877-5378. Notice to Hearing Impaired: You can obtain additional information by using the California State Relay Service at 1-888-877-5378 (TDD) or send a request to contact Stacey Lear at the number above regarding the Sea Crest Parcels site.