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May 2011 Fact Sheet

Lomita Park Elementary School Environmental Cleanup

Public Comment Period from May 9 to June 7, 2011

Proposed Action: Removal of contaminated soil from the school site and capping of other contaminated soil

The Millbrae Elementary School District has prepared a draft Preliminary Environmental Assessment/ Removal Action Workplan Report (draft PEA/RAW) which the California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) has reviewed. DTSC invites you to comment on the draft PEA/RAW.

Lomita Park Elementary School, 200 Santa Helena Ave, is located at the southeastern corner of the intersection of Santa Helena Avenue and San Anselmo Avenue in San Bruno. Under oversight by DTSC, school contractors prepared the draft PEA/RAW for a 2.2 acre portion of the school site. The draft PEA/RAW recommends that workers remove soil containing elevated levels of organochlorine pesticides (pesticides) around the perimeter of the Main School Building.

The draft PEA/RAW defines the areas where workers will remove pesticide residues in soil and then appropriately dispose of it at an off-site landfill. Some soils with elevated levels of pesticides will remain at the site. However, these soils are capped by the school's concrete building foundation and/or asphalt pavement and are not accessible.

CEQA Notice of Exemption

As required under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), DTSC's analysis concludes that the proposed cleanup will not have a significant negative effect on the environment. As a result, DTSC has prepared a Notice of Exemption under CEQA.

Public Comment Period

You may send your written comments on the draft PEA/RAW to:

DTSC from Monday, May 9 to Tuesday, June 7.

Please send all comments to Mellan Songco, DTSC, 8800 Cal Center Drive, Sacramento CA 95826 or e-mail to MSongco@dtsc.ca.gov

Si desea información en español,
comuníquese con Jesus Cruz al
(916) 255-3315 o número gratis
1-866-495-5651



You may review the draft PEA/RAW and Supporting Documents

Please contact:

Millbrae Elementary School District Office
555 Richmond Drive
Millbrae, Ca. 94030

8:00 am – 4:00 pm

You may also review these documents on the DTSC web site at:

<http://www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov/public/>

Next Steps

At the close of the Public Comment Period, DTSC will review and consider any public comments and make any necessary revisions to the draft RAW prior to final approval. Also, DTSC will mail a Response to Comments document to everyone who makes a comment and provides their name and address.

The soil removal is expected to take place in June 2011, and should take about one week. After the cleanup process is completed, the Millbrae Elementary School District and their contracted engineers will conduct soil testing to confirm cleanup goals have been reached and submit a Removal Action Completion Report to DTSC for our review and approval.

NOTICE TO THE HEARING IMPAIRED:
You can obtain additional information about the site by using the California State Relay Service at 1(888) 877-5378. Ask them to contact Nathan Schumacher at (916) 255-3650 regarding Lomita Park Elementary School.

For Further Information

Please contact these DTSC staff:

Mellan Songco, Project Manager, at (916) 255-6527 or MSongco@dtsc.ca.gov.

You may also contact Nathan Schumacher, Public Participation Specialist at toll free (866) 495-5651 or (916) 255-3650.

You may also reach him at NSchumac@dtsc.ca.gov.

Members of the media, please contact:

Jeanne Garcia, Public Information Officer, at (818) 717-6571 or JGarcia1@dtsc.ca.gov