

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

To: Office of Planning and Research
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From: Department of Toxic Substances Control
Site Mitigation and Restoration
8800 Cal Center Drive
Sacramento, CA 95826

Subject: FILING OF NOTICE OF DETERMINATION IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 21108 OF THE PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE

Project Title: Salinas Community School, Removal Action Workplan

State Clearinghouse Number: 2014051097

Project Location: 615 Leslie Drive, Salinas, California, 93906

County: Monterey

Project Applicant: Monterey County Office of Education

Project Description: The project involves approval of a Removal Action Workplan (RAW) for the Salinas Community School (Site). The cleanup decisions document, referred to as a RAW, summarized soil samples collected and analyzed during a Preliminary Environmental Assessment (PEA) which identified soils on the Site contained elevated concentrations of organochlorine pesticides (OCPs) in the perimeter of a former structure and from previous agricultural use. Based on the data collected during the PEA, DTSC determined that further action was required to address the potential health threat to future students and staff posed by the presence of elevated OCP concentrations at the Site.

The RAW proposed excavation and off-site removal of impacted soil over a period of 20 days. The following project-specific activities are intended to prevent exposure of contaminants to future site occupants and protect the environment.

- Excavation – Approximately 1,200 cubic yards (approximately 99 truckloads) of contaminated soil will be excavated and loaded onto trucks for disposal. Standard equipment including backhoes, excavators, and front-end loaders and/or other appropriate equipment will be used to conduct excavation activities. Confirmation sampling will be conducted to ensure cleanup goals have been met.
- Transportation and Off-Site Disposal – Contaminated soil will be transported by truck to the Kettleman Hills Hazardous Waste Facility. An approved truck route will be followed for trucks disposing contaminated soil.

As a Responsible Agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and as part of the approval process for this response action, the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) utilized information and analysis in the 2014 New Community School Final Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) to support a final determination that an Addendum was required to be prepared for the proposed Salinas Community School Removal Action Workplan as provided by Section 15164(b) of the CEQA Guidelines. A Responsible Agency is defined in CEQA Guidelines (14 CCR Section 15381) as a public agency which proposes to carry out or approve a project, for which the lead agency is preparing or has prepared an Environmental Impact Report or Negative Declaration. While DTSC is a Responsible Agency under CEQA for the overall construction project, DTSC is the lead agency which approves or determines the need to carry out a response action for which a mitigated negative declaration was adopted.

As a Responsible Agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), DTSC approved the above-described project on March 27, 2020 and has made the following determinations:

1. The project will not have a significant effect on the environment.
2. A Mitigated Negative Declaration was prepared for this project pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.
3. Mitigation measures were made a condition of project approval.
4. A Statement of Overriding Considerations was not adopted for this project.
5. Findings were made pursuant to the provisions of CEQA.

The administrative record for this project is available to the public by appointment at the following location:

Department of Toxic Substances Control
Site Mitigation and Restoration Program
8800 Cal Center Drive
Sacramento, CA 95826

Additional project information is available on EnviroStor:

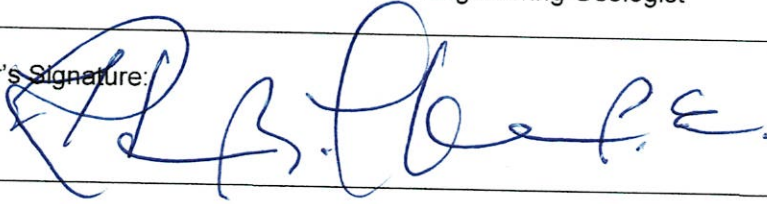
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