

# **NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF PUBLIC REVIEW AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO ADOPT AN INITIAL STUDY/ PROPOSED MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION**

**Date:** September 21, 2020

**Project Name:** Shell Alameda Distribution Center Remediation Project

Notice is hereby given that the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board (Water Board) has released an Initial Study and Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) for public review for the Shell Alameda Distribution Center Remediation Project (Project).

**Project Location:** The proposed Project is located at 2015 Grand Street within the northeastern portion of Alameda Island in the City of Alameda, Alameda County, California. The Project is located approximately 400 feet southwest of the Oakland inner harbor and approximately 600 feet southeast of the Fortmann Basin. The Project site consists of 4.1 acres including Assessor Parcel Number (APN) 72-381-1 (3.4 acres) and APN 72-381-2 (0.74 acre).

**Project Description:** The Project site is regulated under the Water Board's Groundwater Protection Division, Aboveground Petroleum Storage Tank program. On December 16, 1998, the Water Board issued Site Cleanup Requirements Order (Order) No. 98-121 due to soil and subsequent groundwater contamination. The Order did not include source removal activities or establish cleanup levels for on-site soil and groundwater contamination; therefore, a Remedial Action Plan (RAP) describes proposed contamination source removal activities.

Remediation activities would include mobilization and staging of construction equipment; demolition and removal of existing on-site pavement, buildings, and other infrastructure; excavation, dewatering, import of clean backfill, compaction and re-grading; and demobilization. Construction activities would consist of the operation of heavy equipment; vehicle parking, and construction equipment and material storage; and heavy haul truck traffic along Grand Street, Clement Avenue, and State Route 61. These activities support the cleanup objectives summarized in the proposed RAP and support site closure.

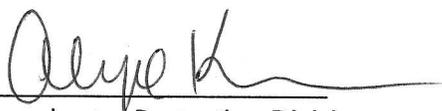
**Environmental Effects:** The Water Board, as the lead State Agency, has prepared an IS/MND pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15063 and 15071. Potentially significant environmental effects that are addressed in the Draft IS/MND include, but are not limited to, air quality, cultural resources, hydrology and water quality, land use, noise, tribal cultural resources, and traffic and transportation. All the potential significant environmental effects were found to be avoided or would result in less than significant impacts with the incorporation of mitigation measures.

**Public Review:** You are invited to review the Draft IS/MND and provide comments. The Water Board will provide a 30-day public review period for the IS/MND from **September 21, 2020 to October 20, 2020** pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15105.

**Where to Review the Environmental Document and Provide Comments:** Electronic copies of the IS/MND are available online at the Water Boards' GeoTracker data management system: [https://documents.geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/esi/uploads/geo\\_report/6808870792/SL373281185.PDF](https://documents.geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/esi/uploads/geo_report/6808870792/SL373281185.PDF). Search for case ID/global ID SL373281185, then click on the "Report" link.

Formal comments regarding the IS/MND may be submitted in writing via U.S. mail, or email any time during the public review period. Written comments regarding the scope and content of information in the IS/MND or any questions regarding the document should be submitted no later than 5:00 pm October 20, 2020. Comments may be sent to:

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