

# DTSC PUBLIC NOTICE

**Department of Toxic Substances Control** – Our mission is to protect the people, communities, and environment of California from harmful chemicals by cleaning up contaminated sites, enforcing hazardous waste laws, and compelling the development of safer products.

## Public Comment Period for Former Marchant/Whitney Site Draft Feasibility Study/Remedial Action Plan

**WHAT IS BEING PROPOSED?** The California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) invites you to review and comment on the draft Feasibility Study/Remedial Action Plan (FS/RAP) for the Former Marchant/Whitney Site located at 5679 Horton Street in Emeryville, CA 94608. Environmental investigations conducted throughout the Site have found cadmium in soil, total petroleum hydrocarbons (TPH) in soil and groundwater, and volatile organic compounds (VOCs), primarily trichloroethene (TCE), in soil, groundwater and soil vapor (air in between soil particles). TCE contaminated groundwater also extends to the west of the Site.

The Draft Feasibility Study/Remedial Action Plan (FS/RAP) proposes demolition of the on-site building, soil excavation and off-site disposal. The FS/RAP also includes thermal (heat) treatment of soil and groundwater with extraction and treatment of vapor and steam before they are vented into the open air. A multi-phase extraction (MPE) system would be used to extract and treat deeper contaminated groundwater and soil vapor. Treated groundwater would then be discharged to the sanitary sewer system. Soil vapors would be captured and clean air vented. Additional cleanup of groundwater may occur by injection of biological amendments, if needed. Other protective measures proposed include capping the Site with asphalt, concrete or other form of hardscape as a protective barrier and restricting future land usage with a Land Use Covenant (LUC).

**CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA):** DTSC reviewed the initial study and determined the proposed project, with associated mitigation measures agreed to by the project applicant (Successor Agency), would have no significant effects on the environment. Therefore, DTSC proposes to adopt an Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) for the proposed project.

**HOW DO I PARTICIPATE?** During the public comment period, from November 22, 2022 to January 12, 2023, you can review the draft FS/RAP and IS/MND. Please send comments no later than January 12 to: Tom Price, Project Manager, DTSC Berkeley Office, 700 Heinz Avenue, Berkeley, CA 94710 or at [Thomas.Price@dtsc.ca.gov](mailto:Thomas.Price@dtsc.ca.gov). You are also invited to attend a virtual public meeting on December 13, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at: <https://bit.ly/3yP5rsR> or dial (669) 900-68333 and enter Meeting ID 871 1873 2615.

**WHERE DO I GET MORE INFORMATION?** To review the draft FS/RAP please visit <https://bit.ly/3zUzrUz>. The Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration can be reviewed by visiting <https://bit.ly/3EfVXKb>. You can also visit Emeryville City Hall at 1333 Park Avenue, Emeryville, CA 94608 [call (510) 596-4372 for an appointment] or visit the Golden Gate Branch of the Oakland Public Library at 5606 San Pablo Avenue, Emeryville, CA 94608 [call (510) 597-5023 for hours]. You may also contact DTSC staff: Tom Price, Project Manager at (510) 540-3811 or [Thomas.Price@dtsc.ca.gov](mailto:Thomas.Price@dtsc.ca.gov); James Gambrell, Public Participation Specialist at (510) 529-7199, toll-free at (866) 495-5651 or [James.Gambrell@dtsc.ca.gov](mailto:James.Gambrell@dtsc.ca.gov); For Media Inquiries: Russ Edmondson, Public Information Officer, (916) 323-3372, or [Russ.Edmondson@dtsc.ca.gov](mailto:Russ.Edmondson@dtsc.ca.gov).



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