

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT
NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

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Project Title: Addendum to Revised Closure Plan for Best Environmental LLC.

Project Location: 3301 East Avenue I, Lancaster, CA 93535

County: Los Angeles County

Project Applicant: Dennis Butler

Approval Action Under Consideration by DTSC: Other (Closure and Closure Plan Revisions)

Statutory Authority: California Health and Safety Code, Division 20, Chapter 6.5

Project Description: The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) approves of the revisions to Addendum to the Revised Closure Plan for the hazardous waste facility permit and subsequent Closure of the Best Environmental LLC, formerly Butler Oil, Facility (Facility) at 3301 East Avenue I, Lancaster, CA 93535.

In an effort to obtain clean closure, the Facility will implement proposed excavation and disposal of the hydrocarbon-impacted shallow soil at the HWU Tank 1 – Former Location. In addition to excavation and disposal of the contaminated soil, confirmation sampling will be conducted. Specifically, seven discrete soil samples from the floor and sidewalls of the excavation will be taken. Based on previous results, the contaminants of concern in HWU Tank 1 – Former Location are total petroleum hydrocarbons (TPH) in the diesel and oil ranges and lead. The confirmatory samples will be analyzed for TPH and lead. In addition, one (1) soil sample will be collected from the stockpiled soil for disposal profiling purposes. This sample will be analyzed for TPH, VOCs and Title 22/CAM Metals. Based on the results, the soil will be transported under the appropriate manifests to the disposal facility. The sampling results and related information from the excavation investigation will be added to the Final Revised Closure Plan Report.

Background: The Facility is a former used oil transfer station which consisted of an above ground tank farm area. Two above-ground used oil tanks were utilized including a 10,000-gallon storage tank and a 550-gallon storage tank that was used to collect used oil from household sources. Both tanks

were permitted as hazardous waste units and are designated as Hazardous Waste Unit (HWU) Tank 1 and HWU Tank 2, respectively.

In August 1992, the Facility submitted a Closure Plan to the DTSC for the two hazardous waste units. The Closure Plan was approved by the DTSC but never implemented. In December 2016, DTSC issued a letter related to the application withdrawal of the standardized hazardous waste facility permit. In that letter, the DTSC required that a Revised Closure Plan be submitted considering current regulatory standards. In a letter dated August 1, 2023, DTSC responded to the Draft Final Closure Plan Report. Comments included the use of screening levels of 260 mg/kg and 1,600 mg/kg for diesel and oil range organics, respectively. Based on the findings, DTSC has concluded that additional closure work is necessary in the HWU Tank 1 former location area. The presumptive remedy for the localized areas of contaminated soil is excavation and off-site disposal.

Project Activities:

The following are the proposed additional activities to be added to the Revised Closure Plan: (1) Project Preparation: Coordination with subcontractors and DTSC, mark proposed excavation and Dig Alert notification. (2) Soil Excavation: Initially scrape an area of approximately 30 feet by 15 feet to a depth of 1 foot at the HWU Tank 1 – Former Location. Following the removal of the upper 1 foot, an additional 10 foot by 10 feet excavation to a depth of 2 feet (3 feet below surface grade) will be excavated from the area of boring B4. Place excavated material on polyethylene sheeting. When excavation is completed, cover the stockpiled soil with polyethylene sheeting. (3) Soil Sampling: Collect seven discrete soil samples from the floor and sidewalls of the excavation. Based on previous results, the contaminants of concern in HWU Tank 1 – Former Location are total petroleum hydrocarbons (TPH) in the diesel and oil ranges and lead. Confirmatory samples will be analyzed for TPH and lead. (4) Stockpile Sampling and Disposal: Collect one (1) soil sample from the stockpiled soil for disposal profiling purposes. The samples will be analyzed for TPH, VOCs and Title 22/CAM Metals. Based on the results, the soil will be transported under the appropriate manifests to the disposal facility. (5) Preparation of Closure Report: Add information from the excavation investigation to the Final Revised Closure Plan Report.

Name of Public Agency Approving Project: Department of Toxic Substances Control

Name of Person or Agency Carrying Out Project: Other (Closure and Closure Plan Revisions)

Exempt Status: Categorical Exemption: [CCR Title 14 Sec. 15308]

Reasons Why Project is Exempt: DTSC has determined none of the exceptions to the categorical exemptions apply to this project, as described in Public Resources Code Section 21084(c), (d), and (e), and 14 CCR Section 15300.2. The Addendum to the Revised Closure Plan revisions is

consistent with the actions taken by regulatory agency, to assure the maintenance, restoration, enhancement, or protection of the environment.

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

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