

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT NOTICE OF DETERMINATION

To: Office of Planning and Research
State Clearinghouse
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From: Department of Toxic Substances Control
Permitting Division
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: Class 1* Permit Modification for Chevron USA Inc. Richmond Refinery, Post-Closure Permit (PCP)

State Clearinghouse Number: 1998109813

Project Location: 841 Chevron Way, Richmond, CA 94801

County: Contra Costa

Project Applicant: Chevron Richmond Refinery

Project Description: The California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) adopted an Addendum to the previous Negative Declaration and approved a Class 1* Permit Modification (Modification) for the Post Closure Permit, pursuant to authority granted under California Health and Safety Code Chapter 6.5 and California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Division 4.5, Chapter 20. The modification alters a general permit provision to clarify that Chevron shall inspect the Landfarms after an earthquake meeting the criteria in Section 10 within 24 hours, "Unless the conditions at the refinery pose a substantial risk to the health or safety of the inspector." This additional language will clarify that Chevron will not be required to put an inspector at risk if the conditions at the refinery make performing the inspection unsafe.

On March 31, 1988, Chevron submitted to DTSC an original "Landfarms Closure Plan", which was revised and submitted as the "Revised Closure Plan" (Plan) on May 5, 1996. An Initial Study and Negative Declaration were prepared for the project (State Clearinghouse No. 1998109813) in January 1998 for DTSC's approval of the Plan, which DTSC approved on March 19, 1998. The Post Closure Permit was last renewed on January 23, 2017 and will expire on January 23, 2027.

The permit modification will not result in any physical changes, nor any changes in the day-to-day operations of the facility. This permit modification would not affect any aspect of the environment and requires no construction. All post closure activities will continue to be consistent with the previously approved Post Closure Permit. The Facility Permit Modification would not result in a significant impact on the environment.

As Lead Agency under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), DTSC approved the above-described project on September 21, 2020 and has made the following determinations:

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

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

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