

PUBLIC NOTICE

California Environmental Protection Agency Vapor Intrusion Workgroup Vapor Intrusion Public Workshop Series

Kickoff Workshop:

Goals, Status, and Path Forward for Vapor Intrusion at Cleanup Sites

The California Environmental Protection Agency (CalEPA) Vapor Intrusion Workgroup (CalEPA VI Workgroup) is a multi-agency workgroup consisting of the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC), the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board), the Regional Water Quality Control Boards, and the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) that serves as a technical and regulatory resource for addressing contaminated sites impacted by vapor intrusion across California. The CalEPA VI Workgroup is planning a series of public workshops to gain input on CalEPA's efforts to evaluate vapor intrusion at contaminated sites. The Kickoff Workshop will be hosted via Zoom on **July 24, 2025, from 9:00 am-12:00 pm PDT** – this will be a virtual-only workshop with no physical location.

The Kickoff Workshop will provide an update of CalEPA's key vapor intrusion evaluation tools and strategies and outline the agency's planned path forward. The Kickoff Workshop will also include a public panel discussion and breakout sessions. The panel discussion will provide different public perspectives and viewpoints relating to the investigation, cleanup, and decision-making regarding vapor intrusion at contaminated sites. The panel members will include representatives from the environmental justice community, brownfield redevelopment, industry and academia. The goal of the breakout sessions is for CalEPA to gain feedback on specific vapor intrusion topics to inform and improve the content of future workshops in the series. The breakout sessions will be held simultaneously; participants will be asked to choose one topic of interest during the workshop and will be placed in their chosen breakout session.

Kickoff Workshop Agenda

- 1) Welcome
- 2) CalEPA Vapor Intrusion Update
- 3) Vapor Intrusion Public Panel Discussion
- 4) Breakout Sessions

The planned topics for the breakout sessions are:

- 1) Conceptual Site Model and Best Practices for Vapor Intrusion Sites,
- 2) Vapor Intrusion in the Community,
- 3) Path to Closure for Vapor Intrusion Sites,
- 4) Collective Decision-Making with Vapor Intrusion Partners, and
- 5) Vapor Intrusion Data in GeoTracker.

This agenda is subject to change. Any revisions will be posted on the DTSC and State Water Board websites listed below.

Background

The Kickoff Workshop is an introduction to a series of technical workshops that are tentatively planned for September 2025 through February 2026. The series will focus on meaningful engagement with the public on efforts to holistically approach evaluating and addressing vapor intrusion at contaminated sites using available guidance documents, best practices, and site-specific lines of evidence in decision-making. The CalEPA Final Draft Supplemental Guidance for Screening and Evaluating Vapor Intrusion (SVIG), [Supplemental VI Guidance Final Draft](#), was released in February 2023, and is one of the most widely used tools across California for evaluating vapor intrusion at contaminated sites. Since its release, CalEPA has been actively engaged in training staff on utilizing the SVIG as well as additional tools and approaches needed to improve decision-making beyond the initial vapor intrusion screening evaluation. The CalEPA VI Workgroup is hosting this workshop series to update the public on its efforts and hear feedback. The future technical workshops in the series will provide an opportunity for the public to provide focused feedback to the CalEPA VI Workgroup.

Kickoff Workshop Attendance Information

July 24, 2025

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. PDT

Via Video and Teleconference Only

No Physical Meeting Location

The workshop presentations will be recorded and posted online.

The breakout sessions will not be recorded.

Zoom Registration Link:

<https://forms.office.com/g/bVKiX55sVr>

If you wish to attend the meeting, **please register by 5pm on July 23rd using the link above.** You will not be able to join the meeting without registering. For any questions, please email the program host at: DWQ-vaporintrusion@waterboards.ca.gov.

Language Interpretation Services

To request interpretation in another language or sign language services, please submit your request at least 10 business days before the workshop by submitting a [Language Services Request](#), calling (916) 445-5615, or submitting an email to OPP-LanguageServices@waterboards.ca.gov.

Webcast Accessibility

Telecommunications devices for hearing impaired (TDD) users may contact the California Relay Service at (800) 735-2929 or voice line at (800) 735-2922.

Vapor Intrusion Resources

A copy of this notice and general vapor intrusion information, guidance documents, and projects can be found on the DTSC and State Water Board websites:

[State Water Resources Control Board Vapor Intrusion Website:](#)

https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/site_cleanup_program/vapor_intrusion/

[Department of Toxic Substances Control Vapor Intrusion Website:](https://dtsc.ca.gov/vapor-intrusion/)
<https://dtsc.ca.gov/vapor-intrusion/>

Future Notices

Any change in the date, time, and place of the Kickoff Workshop will be publicly noticed via the State Water Board's and DTSC's Vapor Intrusion email lists. You do not need to subscribe to both e-mail lists to keep informed of CalEPA VI Workgroup announcements. However, the email lists may be used to distribute agency-specific information related to vapor intrusion.

Stay Informed

State Water Board:

If you would like to receive future notices and information about State Water Board vapor intrusion initiatives, please sign up for the Vapor Intrusion e-mail list. To sign up, please enter a valid email address and your name under the “**Stay informed**” banner on the State Water Board's Vapor Intrusion website (linked above) and click “**Subscribe**.” You can enroll or un-enroll at any time.

To request notification through alternate means or for general questions about vapor intrusion, please contact the State Water Board at DWQ-vaporintrusion@waterboards.ca.gov.