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Public Notice:

Proposed Notice of Applicability Environmental Cleanup Site Remediation Activities Former Wickes Forest Industries Site A Street at Holdener Road, Elmira Solano County

This serves as notice that Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) has prepared a Notice of Applicability for coverage under Order R5-2015-0012, *Waste Discharge Requirements General Order for In-Situ Groundwater Remediation and Discharge of Treated Groundwater to Land* (General Order). Central Valley Water Board is providing the opportunity for public comment on the proposed cleanup activities at the Former Wickes Forest Industries Site.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: 11 June 2024 through 15 July 2024

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: Central Valley Water Board proposes to issue a Notice of Applicability to the California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) for enrollment in the General Order for *in-situ* remediation of impacted groundwater beneath the former Wickes Forest Industries Site located at 147 and 6109 A Street at Holdener Road, Elmira (Site). The Site has been owned by various companies over the past four decades; however, it currently is owned by an individual. DTSC is the lead agency responsible for overseeing contaminant removal activities at the Site.

Historical lumber treatment and wood preservation activities at the Site resulted in the release of metals such as arsenic, copper, and hexavalent chromium, Cr(VI), onto the soil and groundwater at the Site. Recent groundwater monitoring results show the highest remaining concentration of Cr(VI) in groundwater is beneath the former wood preserving area in the southern area of the Site. The proposed remediation activity is an initial pilot test to evaluate the effectiveness of 3-D Microemulsion® (3DME) to reduce Cr(VI) concentrations in groundwater beneath the Site. Injections of 3DME at other sites have shown effective reduction of Cr(VI). If the pilot test has good results, additional injections will follow.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The Draft Notice of Applicability, R5-2015-0012-083, including the draft monitoring and reporting program, is available on the State Water Resources Control Board GeoTracker website for [Collins & Aikman Product Company \(Former Wickes Forest Industries Site\) \(SLT5S1033144\)](https://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/profile_report.asp?global_id=SLT5S1033144) (https://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/profile_report.asp?global_id=SLT5S1033144).

HOW TO PARTICIPATE

Please contact Maxine Cottrell with the Central Valley Water Board if you have any comments or questions regarding the proposed remediation activity or any of the information presented in this public notice:

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