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## Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

### **PUBLIC NOTICE: PROPOSED UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK CASE CLOSURE**

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:** 28 March 2025 through 28 May 2025

#### **PG&E SERVICE CENTER, MERCED (T0604700090), 560 15<sup>TH</sup> ST W, MERCED, MERCED COUNTY**

The underground storage tank (tank) case is located at 560 15<sup>TH</sup> Street west in Merced, California (Site). The owner has investigated and cleaned up fuel products from former leaking tanks, piping, and dispensers at the Site. Central Valley Water Board staff is providing you an opportunity to comment regarding the proposed tank cleanup case closure.

The Site is a former Pacific Gas and Electric (PG&E) manufactured gas plant and vehicle service center. In 1988, the owner removed three fuel underground storage tanks (two 4,000-gallon gasoline tanks and one 1,000-gallon diesel tank), piping, and dispensers. In 2015, the owner removed one 285-gallon gasoline tank. Fuel contamination was found in the soil and groundwater samples collected beneath the tanks. Since discovery of the unauthorized leak, the owner cleaned up (or investigated the area of) the former tanks.

In their November 2024 report, Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc. (the owner's environmental consultant) evaluated case data and concluded that this case is eligible for closure status under the State Water Resources Control Boards Low-Threat Underground Storage Tank Case Closure Policy. The attached figure shows the property location.

The Central Valley Water Board staff is issuing this notice to you and providing a 60-day public comment period to the owners and occupants of all properties near the former manufactured gas plant/PG&E vehicle service center property and other interested parties. Central Valley Water Board staff will consider comments received when evaluating the case closure.

#### **FOR MORE INFORMATION**

You can obtain additional information on the [State Water Resources Control Board's GeoTracker website](https://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/) (<https://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/>). Please contact Marilyn Petruescu with the Central Valley Water Board if you have any comments or questions

about this Public Notice or about the environmental cleanup activities at the PG&E Service Center, Merced case:

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### Notice to the Hearing Impaired

TDD users can obtain information about the Site by using the California State Relay Service (800) 735-2929 to reach the Public Participation Specialist. Ask them to contact the Central Valley Water Board at (916) 464-3291 regarding the Public Notice for the proposed cleanup case closure of PG&E Service Center, Merced.

**Figure 1**  
Approximate Site boundary shown in red. Source: *Google Maps*

