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# **Public Notice:**

### **Proposed No Further Action Determination**

Former Sierra Energy Cardlock #210 (Central Valley Water Board Case No. 290201) 428 Colfax Avenue, Grass Valley, Nevada County, CA

The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) invites public comments regarding the intent of the Board to grant regulatory closure for the leaking underground storage tank (UST) case at the former Sierra Energy Cardlock #210, located at 428 Colfax Avenue in Grass Valley, California (Site). The Site is located on the east side of Colfax Avenue in an area of commercial and residential properties. The former Sierra Energy Cardlock #210 fueling facility ceased operations in May 2008.

In June 2008, four USTs (one 2,000-gallon diesel, one 2,000-gallon gasoline, one 6,000-gallon gasoline, and one 550-gallon tank with unknown contents), the fuel dispenser island, and associated piping were removed from the Site. During UST removal activities, excavated soil impacted with petroleum hydrocarbons was temporarily stockpiled on-Site and subsequently placed back into the tank pit following UST removal.

Since 2014, the Central Valley Water Board has approved the installation of six monitoring wells and two soil vapor probes at the Site. Based on environmental assessment data collected from the property, the extent of residual petroleum hydrocarbons in soil is limited. Similarly, concentrations of petroleum hydrocarbons in groundwater are low and are not anticipated to pose a threat to public health or waters of the State. The environmental assessment data also show that residual petroleum-related compounds are expected to further decline and are unlikely to migrate beyond their current extent.

Based on the results of the recent investigation activities performed at the former Sierra Energy Cardlock #210, UES, on behalf of Sierra Energy, have requested regulatory closure of the associated environmental case under the State Water Resources Control Board's Low-Threat Underground Storage Tank Case Closure Policy (Low-Threat Closure Policy).

Central Valley Water Board staff have reviewed the data and information submitted by UES and believe this request has merit.

#### **Public Comment Period**

This Public Notice is being provided to you because your parcel is located adjacent to the former Sierra Energy Cardlock #210 facility, or you have been identified as a potentially interested party. To allow you and other interested parties to comment on the proposed case closure, please contact the Central Valley Water Board by 13 February 2026. After that date, Central Valley Water Board staff intends to complete its closure review process and close the associated environmental case.

If you have questions or would like to comment on the proposed case closure and No Further Action determination, please contact Bret Sample at the Central Valley Water Board using the contact information provided above or by mail at:

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#### For More Information

Additional information is available on the <u>State Water Resources Control Board's Geotracker website</u> (http://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/?gid=T10000000190) and the case file, which is available at the Central Valley Water Board office in Rancho Cordova. To make an appointment, please call (916) 464-3291.

## Notice to the Hearing Impaired

TDD users can obtain additional information 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 proposed "No Further Action" determination for this case.

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