
North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board

Notice of Proposed No Further Action

For

Fouche Auto Wreckers
2290 Dutton Avenue
Santa Rosa, California

Case Number 1NSO366

Sonoma County

Notice Posting Date: June 26, 2024

End of Comment Period: July 29, 2024

A soil and groundwater investigation conducted at the referenced site discovered a release of solvents and metals to the subsurface. Although some contamination remains, this site meets the conditions for closure under the State Water Resources Control Board's Resolution 92-49. North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Water Board) staff proposes that no further work be required. The purpose of this notice is to inform interested parties, including owners of nearby land, that the case is being considered for closure, and to invite public comment on this proposed decision.

Problem Description

The site operated as a wrecking yard from the 1940s until 2000 or 2001. Lead was discharged to subsurface soil while total petroleum hydrocarbons as motor oil (TPH-mo), total recoverable petroleum hydrocarbons (TRPH), and solvents such as 1,1,1-trichloroethane and 1,1-dichloroethene were discharged to soil and groundwater. Wrecked cars, buildings, and auto wrecking debris were removed from approximately 2001 to 2002.

Soil and groundwater at and around the site have been investigated. Several rounds of soil excavation/scraping and disposal were conducted from 2004 through 2007 and from 2015 to 2016. Following confirmation from the Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) that residual lead contamination in soil was below regulatory screening levels, the site was redeveloped as a residential subdivision. Groundwater monitoring at the site has shown contamination in groundwater to have naturally attenuated and contaminants of concern are no longer above water quality objectives (WQOs). No water supply wells were impacted by this contamination.

Proposed Action

Case closure is proposed. This site meets the conditions for closure under the State Water Resources Control Board's "[Resolution 92-49](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/site_cleanup_program/resolution_92_49.html)"(https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/site_cleanup_program/resolution_92_49.html).

Unless significant comments are received or new information is presented regarding this site, Regional Water Board staff will proceed with the closure process upon conclusion of the comment period. Please contact Kent Huth at (707) 576-2669 or Kent.Huth@waterboards.ca.gov with any questions or comments. Written comments may also be submitted to:

North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board
Attention: Kent Huth
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Regional Water Board site records comprise both a paper file and an electronic file. Beginning in 2005, select file material was uploaded to the State Water Resources Control Board's GeoTracker website and not necessarily included in the paper file. All new file material after 2014 is retained only electronically. [The GeoTracker records](#) are available at (http://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/profile_report.asp?global_id=T0609793108)

The paper file ("Fouche Auto Wreckers", Case No. 1NSO366) may be reviewed at the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board office from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Appointments are recommended and can be arranged by calling (707) 576-2220.