
North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board

Notice of Proposed No Further Action

For

Newman Property (AKA Flynn Creek Ranch)
5701 Flynn Creek Rd
Comptche, California

Case Number 1TMC584

Mendocino County

Notice Posting Date: **January 16, 2024**

End of Comment Period: **March 16, 2024**

A release of petroleum hydrocarbons was documented and soil and groundwater investigations were conducted at the above-referenced site. Although some contamination remains, this site meets the conditions for closure under the State Water Resources Control Board's "Low-Threat Underground Storage Tank Case Closure Policy." 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

One 400-gallon underground storage tank (UST) was removed from this rural ranch property in the early 1980s. Approximately 350 cubic yards of petroleum hydrocarbon contaminated soil was over-excavated in October 2021 from the location of the former UST. Groundwater sampling results from grab groundwater borings, the site's monitoring wells, and from the onsite (inoperable) domestic well further show that the contaminated groundwater plume is limited in extent.

Proposed Action

Case closure is proposed. This site meets the conditions for closure under the State Water Resources Control Board's "[Low-Threat Underground Storage Tank Case Closure Policy](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/ust/lt_cls_plcy.html)" available on the internet at (https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/ust/lt_cls_plcy.html).

Unless significant comments are received or new information is presented regarding this site, Regional Water Board staff plans to proceed with the closure process upon conclusion of the comment period. Please contact Francois Bush at (707) 543-7148 or Francois.Bush@waterboards.ca.gov with any questions or comments. Written comments may also be submitted to:

North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board
Attention: Francois Bush
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Regional Water Board site records comprise an electronic file that can be accessed on the State Water Resources Control Board's GeoTracker website. [The GeoTracker records](https://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/profile_report.asp?global_id=T10000000133) are available at
(https://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/profile_report.asp?global_id=T10000000133).