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## North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board

### Notice of Proposed No Further Action

For

Freestone Store  
500 Bohemian Highway  
Freestone, California

Case Number 1TSO984

Sonoma County

**Notice Posting Date: July 16, 2025**

**End of Comment Period: September 16, 2025**

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

Two 550-gallon gasoline underground storage tanks (USTs) were removed from the site in 1987. Additional investigations conducted in 2021 through 2024 indicated that residual petroleum hydrocarbon contaminated soil was present within the former tank pits. Approximately 140 tons of secondary source contaminated soil was excavated and removed from the former tank pits in September 2024. Recent site investigations indicate that most of the secondary source soils have been removed, impacted groundwater is very limited in extent, and petroleum hydrocarbon vapor intrusion is not occurring at the site.

#### 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) ([https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water\\_issues/programs/ust/lt\\_cls\\_plcy.html](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 François Bush at (707) 543-7148 or [Francois.Bush@waterboards.ca.gov](mailto:Francois.Bush@waterboards.ca.gov) with any questions or comments. Written comments may also be submitted to:

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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](https://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov) ([https://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/profile\\_report.asp?global\\_id=T10000017455](https://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/profile_report.asp?global_id=T10000017455)).