
North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board

Notice of Proposed No Further Action

For

Masonite's Former Wood Preserving Facility
Highway 101
Cloverdale, California

Case No. 1NSO266

Sonoma County

Notice Posting Date: October 27, 2025

End of Comment Period: November 27, 2025

Soil and groundwater removal actions were conducted in response to releases of pentachlorophenol (PCP) at this former wood preserving facility. 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 propose 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 comments on this proposed decision.

Problem Description

This site is a former wood preserving facility that utilized oil-based PCP and water-based chromated-copper-arsenate preservatives. The facility was in operation from the 1960s through 1975 and was dismantled by Masonite in 1976, with cleanup activities initiated under a closure plan approved by the California Department of Health Services (DHS). Environmental investigation, remedial actions, and monitoring have been conducted primarily due to PCP impacts in shallow and deeper fractured groundwater. In addition, a Land Use Covenant (LUC) restricting soil and groundwater use at burdened areas of the site was recorded with the Sonoma County Recorder's office to address residual contamination in these burdened areas of the site.

Proposed Action

Case closure is proposed as the site has been fully assessed and remediated to the extent practicable and current site conditions pose little risk to human health or environment.

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 with any questions or comments. Written comments may also be submitted to:

North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board
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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 on the [State Water Resources Control Board's GeoTracker website](http://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/profile_report.asp?global_id=T0609793185). (http://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/profile_report.asp?global_id=T0609793185).

The paper file ("Former Masonite Wood Preserving Facility", Case No. 1NSO266) may be reviewed at the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board office from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Appointments are recommended and can be arranged by calling (707) 576-2220.