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## Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

### **PUBLIC NOTICE:**

### **PROPOSED PETROLEUM UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK CASE CLOSURE**

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:** 16 December 2024 through 14 February 2025

**UNION PACIFIC FORMER BUNKER C VAULT (TRACY); 780 EAST 6<sup>TH</sup> STREET, TRACY,  
SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY; GLOBAL ID #T10000021214**

The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) invites public comment on the proposed case closure of the Union Pacific Former Bunker C Vault leaking underground storage tank (UST) cleanup case located at 780 East 6<sup>th</sup> Street in Tracy, CA (property). A map of the former bunker fuel structure location on the subject property is attached as Figure 1.

The site property is currently a vacant lot on the location of a former railyard and welding facility. Historically, underground concrete structures were used at the property to store petroleum bunker fuel for the railyard. In 2016, a consultant for the Union Pacific Railroad Company (Union Pacific) identified the presence of a demolished underground bunker fuel structure on the property. During an environmental investigation in 2019, the consultant collected soil samples from beneath the demolished structure and detected petroleum compounds.

In June and August 2024, the consultant for Union Pacific conducted additional investigation of soil and groundwater impacts from the buried structure. Analysis of the soil and groundwater samples collected beneath the structure detected concentrations of petroleum compounds below regulatory levels. The concentrations of metals in the soil samples were consistent with regional background levels. Based on the results of the 2024 investigation, the consultant recommended no further action for the case. Additional soil and groundwater investigations have been conducted for two other cleanup cases co-located on the property. Subsurface impacts from these cases are associated with separate releases from historical operations at the property and are not evaluated as part of this case.

Central Valley Water Board staff reviewed the previous investigation results and has determined that this UST case may be eligible for closure. Central Valley Water Board staff is issuing this notice and providing a 60-day public comment period to the owners and occupants of properties near the Union Pacific Former Bunker C Vault property and to other interested parties. Central Valley Water Board staff will consider comments they receive when evaluating the case closure.

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

You can obtain additional information on the [State Water Resources Control Board's GeoTracker website](https://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/) (<https://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/>). Please contact Mitch Messmer with the Central Valley Water Board if you have any comments or questions about this Public Notice or about the environmental cleanup activities at the Union Pacific Former Bunker C Vault (Tracy):

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## ATTACHMENT

Figure 1



**Figure 1:** Aerial image of the property showing the approximate location of the former bunker fuel structure