
Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board

PUBLIC NOTICE

SOIL VAPOR EXTRACTION SYSTEM

FORMER TURNPIKE ONE HOUR MARTINIZING 155 SOUTH TURNPIKE ROAD, SANTA BARBARA SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

March 19, 2026

*Si desea obtener información en español,
póngase en contacto con Anthony Schuetze al (805) 542-4648*

The Central Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Coast Water Board) is providing this notification to the landowners, residents/occupants, tenants, and interested parties near the subject Cleanup Program Site to notify you of upcoming cleanup actions and to solicit comments. This notification provides a general description of the site background and proposed cleanup actions and invites comments from interested parties.

INTRODUCTION

The Central Coast Water Board is the lead regulatory agency with jurisdiction over the investigation and cleanup at the Turnpike One Hour Martinizing¹ site located at 155 South Turnpike Road in Santa Barbara, California (Site). During past business operations, the former operators used a dry-cleaning chemical called tetrachloroethene (PCE), which was historically often used in dry cleaning. PCE has been detected in soil gas below the building, indicating that it was spilled/released to the environment at the Site. This public notice is intended to notify you of planned cleanup activities.

BACKGROUND

Former business practices at the Site resulted in a release of PCE to the environment. The release of PCE in soil eventually migrated to shallow groundwater underlying the Site. When chemicals such as PCE are released into soil and groundwater, these chemicals can produce vapors. These vapors can travel up through the soil and enter overlying buildings/structures. This process is known as vapor intrusion. Depending on the concentrations of a chemical in vapor, vapor intrusion may cause unhealthy indoor

¹ Turnpike One Hour Martinizing operated from at least 1969 through 1998. The tenant space is currently vacant.

air quality. The purpose of this notification is to inform the public of cleanup plans to remove PCE from the subsurface so that it will no longer pose a significant risk to indoor air and the environment.

PLANNED ACTIVITIES

Soil, soil vapor, indoor air, and groundwater have been assessed, and a soil vapor extraction system will be constructed to cleanup known subsurface impacts. During operation, a vacuum will be applied to the underlying soil via extraction wells to induce controlled flow of air and remove PCE and other VOCs from the subsurface. The vapors will be treated prior to the extracted air being released into the atmosphere according to Air Pollution Control District permit requirements.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

For more information, a copy of the *Corrective Action Plan for Onsite Soil Vapor Extraction* (Work Plan) is available on GeoTracker at the following website address:

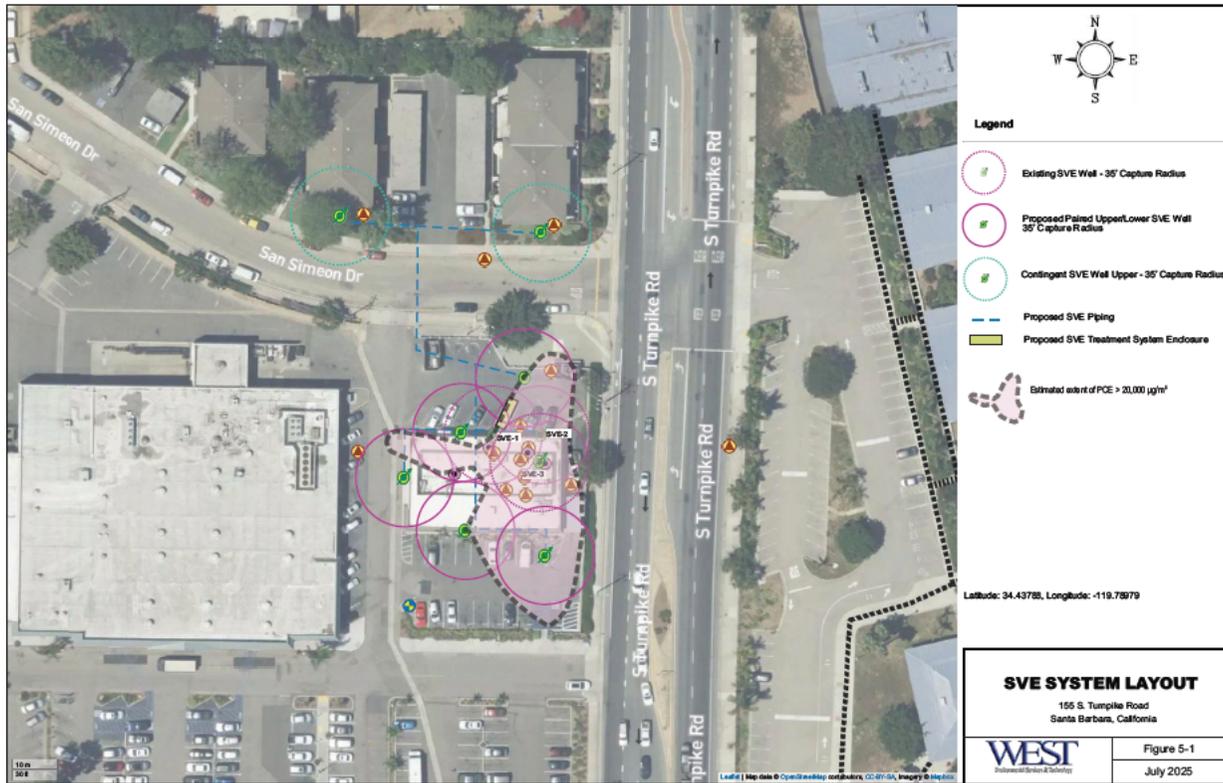
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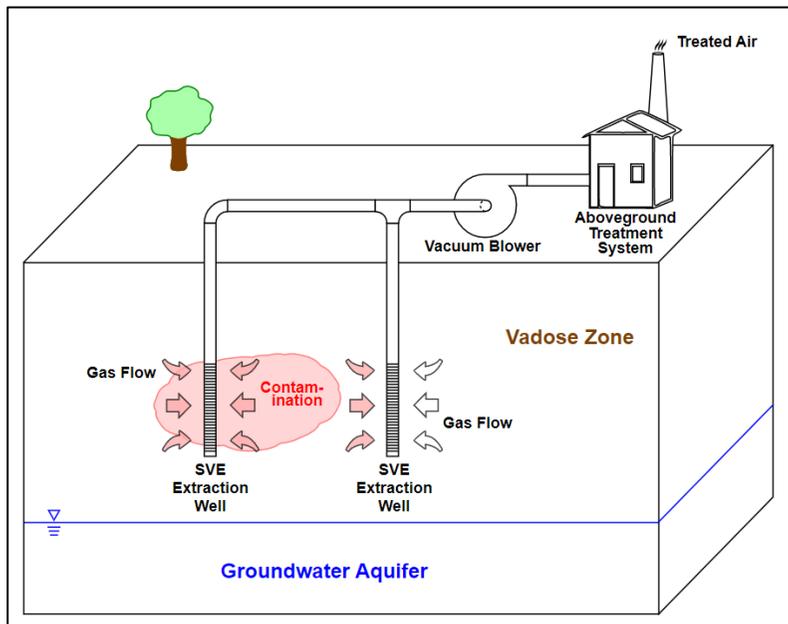
The public is invited to comment on the proposed remediation Work Plan. Written comments on the Work Plan may be submitted either by email or US Mail and must be received by Central Coast Water Board staff no later than 5:00 p.m. on **April 20, 2026**, for consideration. Please send your comments to:

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Site Location Map



General Schematic of a Soil Vapor Extraction System

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FOR INFORMATION ABOUT PCE AND CASE-RELATED DOCUMENTATION

PCE Fact Sheet:

<https://www.atsdr.cdc.gov/toxfaqs/tfacts18.pdf>

GeoTracker Database:

<http://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/?gid=T10000014283>