The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) invites public comment regarding the intent of the Board to grant regulatory closure for the leaking underground storage tank (UST) case at the former Unocal Station No. 382363, located at 9450 Main Street in Upper Lake, California. The property upon which the former fueling station was previously located is on the east side of Main Street in an area of commercial and residential properties. The former Unocal Station No. 382363 ceased operations in 1990.

Two steel USTs (250-gallon and 500-gallon) were encountered by the Lake County Redevelopment Agency during an improvement project within the Main Street right-of-way in July 2009. The USTs were discovered beneath the sidewalk area at a depth of approximately 5 feet and removed in August 2009. Although the USTs were reported to be in fair condition and without holes or significant corrosion, soil impacted with petroleum hydrocarbons was encountered during the excavation. Following removal of the USTs and impacted soil, the excavation was backfilled with clean fill material.

Since 2009, the Central Valley Water Board has approved the installation of three soil borings, a soil vapor probe near the former USTs, and two sub-slab vapor probes inside the commercial structure located on the property. Based on environmental assessment data collected from the property, the extent of residual petroleum hydrocarbons in soil is limited. Similarly, concentrations of petroleum hydrocarbons in groundwater are low and are not anticipated to pose a threat to public health or waters of the State. The environmental assessment data also show that residual petroleum-related compounds are expected to further decline and are unlikely to migrate beyond their current extent.

Based on the results of the recent investigation activities performed at the former Unocal Station site, Arcadis U.S. Inc. (Arcadis), on behalf of Chevron Environmental Management Company, have requested regulatory closure of the associated environmental case under the State Water Resources Control Board’s Low-Threat Underground Storage Tank Case Closure Policy (Low-Threat Closure Policy).
Central Valley Water Board staff have reviewed the data and information submitted by Arcadis and believe this request has merit.

**Public Comment Period**
This Public Notice is being provided to you because your property or place of residence or work is located within 500 feet of the property (location of the former Unocal Station site) outlined on the map below. To allow you and other interested parties to comment on the proposed case closure, please contact the Central Valley Water Board by **10 November 2022**. After that date, Central Valley Water Board staff intends to complete its closure review process and close the associated environmental case.

If you have questions or would like to comment on the proposed case closure and No Further Action determination, please contact Jeremy Hughes at the Central Valley Water Board using the contact information provided above or by mail at:

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**For More Information**
Additional information is available on the [State Water Resources Control Board’s Geotracker website](http://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/?gid=T10000005250) and the case file, which is available at the Central Valley Water Board office in Rancho Cordova. To make an appointment, please call (916) 464-3291.

**Notice to the Hearing Impaired**
TDD users can obtain additional information using the California State Relay Service (800) 735-2929 to reach the Public Participation Specialist. Ask them to contact the Central Valley Water Board at (916) 464-3291 regarding the proposed “No Further Action” determination for this case.
Generalized Site Features and Former Unocal Station Location