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## Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

### **PUBLIC NOTICE: PROPOSED PETROLEUM UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK CASE CLOSURE**

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:** 15 June through 14 August 2026 (60 days)

**HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY; 145 S. SUTTER STREET, STOCKTON, SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY; LUST CASE #390296, GLOBAL ID #T0607700218**

The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) is asking for public comments. We plan to close the leaking tank case, known as Human Services Agency. The property is located at 145 S. Sutter Street in Stockton, California.

Between 1988 and 1990, a total of 14 petroleum underground fuel tanks were removed from around the property. In 1989, testing showed that tanks that had been in the southeast corner of the property had leaked gasoline and had contaminated the soil and groundwater. In 1989, workers dug approximately 2,000 cubic yards of gasoline contaminated soil out from beneath the tanks that leaked. In 2019, workers performed additional cleanup actions to remove gasoline from groundwater beneath the property.

In 2020, the consultant hired by the party responsible for the leak concluded that the gasoline remaining in the soil does not pose a significant risk to human health, the environment, or future use of the property based on California's Low-Threat Closure Policy criteria. Central Valley Water Board staff has determined that the gasoline remaining in groundwater does not pose a risk to human health. The remaining gasoline in groundwater is expected to naturally break down over time. Because the risk is low, Central Valley Water Board staff recommends closing the case under California's Low-Threat Closure Policy. The Central Valley Water Board will review public comments before making a final decision. A map is attached which shows the property location and where the remaining gasoline is in groundwater.

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**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 Alan M. Buehler 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 Human Services Agency on S. Sutter Street:

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**Notice to the Hearing Impaired**

TDD users can obtain information about the case by using the California State Relay Service at 711 or (800) 884-1684 to reach the Public Participation Specialist. Ask them to contact the Central Valley Water Board at (916) 464-3291 regarding the Public Notice for the proposed case closure of the Human Services Agency on S. Sutter Street.

**ATTACHMENTS**

Map with remaining gasoline in groundwater

