



Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

PUBLIC NOTICE: PROPOSED PETROLEUM UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK CASE CLOSURE

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: 10 July through 8 September 2026

BARTLETT PETROLEUM; 4614 BEN HUR ROAD, MARIPOSA, MARIPOSA COUNTY; GLOBAL ID #T0604391642

The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) is asking for public comments on the proposed closure of the Bartlett Petroleum leaking underground storage tank case. The property is located at 4614 Ben Hur Road in Mariposa, California.

In March 2000, a leak was found in the underground fuel tanks at the property. Repairs were made to stop the leak.

From April 2002 to January 2009, a contractor removed about 250 pounds of gasoline from soil and groundwater and treated an additional 50.5 million gallons of gasoline contaminated groundwater. Between September 2005 and March 2026, the responsible party's consultants conducted investigations to determine the extent of contamination to soil and groundwater.

In April 2021, three underground fuel tanks (two 10,000 gallon and one 12,000-gallon) were dug up and removed.

Recently, the consultant for the person responsible for the leak concluded that the remaining petroleum in the soil and groundwater does not pose a significant risk to human health, the environment, or future use of the property. The remaining gasoline will naturally break down over time. Because the risk is low, the consultant recommended 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. It shows the property location and the monitoring wells associated with this case.

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 Benjamin Lehmann with the Central Valley Water Board if you have any comments or questions about this Public Notice or about the environmental cleanup activities at Bartlett Petroleum:

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Notice to the Hearing Impaired

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ATTACHMENT

Figure 1: Map of the Bartlett Petroleum case and associated monitoring wells.

