
North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board

Notice of Proposed No Further Action

For

Beacon M&M
67670 Drive Thru Tree Road
Leggett, California

Case Number 1TMC227

Mendocino County

Notice Posting Date: July 17, 2023

End of Comment Period: September 17, 2023

A soil and groundwater investigation was conducted at the above-referenced site and a release of petroleum hydrocarbons was documented. Although some contamination remains, this site meets the conditions for closure under the State Water Resources Control Board's "Low-Threat Underground Storage Tank Case Closure Policy." Regional Water Board staff proposes that no further work be required. The purpose of this notice is to inform interested parties, including owners of nearby land, that the case is being considered for closure, and to invite public comment on this proposed decision.

Problem Description

Two 7,000-gallon underground storage tanks (USTs) were removed from the Beacon M&M site in 1992 and contaminated soil was over excavated. The primary contaminants of concern (COCs) from the former USTs were total petroleum hydrocarbons as gasoline (TPHg), benzene, and methyl tert-butyl ether (MTBE).

The most recent groundwater monitoring results from site monitoring wells showed TPHg and benzene were only detected above water quality objectives (WQOs) in groundwater from one site monitoring well and it is anticipated that these compounds will reach WQOs within a reasonable timeframe. Additionally, MTBE was not detected above its WQO in any of the site monitoring wells during the most recent groundwater monitoring.

Proposed Action

Case closure is proposed. This site meets the conditions for closure under the State Water Resources Control Board's "[Low-Threat Underground Storage Tank Case](#)

[Closure Policy](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/ust/lt_cls_plcy.html)” available on the internet at
(https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/ust/lt_cls_plcy.html).

Unless significant comments are received or new information is presented regarding this site, Regional Water Board staff plans to proceed with the closure process upon conclusion of the comment period. Please contact François Bush at (707) 543-7148 or Francois.Bush@waterboards.ca.gov with any questions or comments. Written comments may also be submitted to:

North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board
Attention: François Bush
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Regional Water Board site records comprise both a paper file and an electronic file. Beginning in 2005, select file material was uploaded to the State Water Resources Control Board’s GeoTracker website and not necessarily included in the paper file. All new file material after 2014 is retained only electronically. [The GeoTracker records](#) are available at
(https://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/profile_report.asp?global_id=T0604500196).

The paper file (“Beacon, M&M”, Case No. 1TMC227) may be reviewed at the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board office from 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday. Appointments are recommended and can be arranged by calling (707) 576-2220.