

Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

PUBLIC NOTICE: PROPOSED PETROLEUM UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK CASE CLOSURE

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: 23 May through 22 July 2025 (60 days)

WATERLOO FOOD & FUEL; 3032 WATERLOO ROAD, STOCKTON, SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY; LUST CASE #390992, GLOBAL ID #T0607700813

The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) invites public comment on the proposed case closure of the Waterloo Food & Fuel leaking underground storage tank (UST) case, located at 3032 Waterloo Road in Stockton, CA (property). A map showing the investigation area and the current remaining extent of petroleum (gasoline) impact to groundwater is attached as Figure 1.

The property is currently an active gas station, and is located on the south side of Waterloo Road between Chronicle Avenue and Sutro Avenue. In 1999 the property owner removed five underground storage tanks (USTs) from the property. Testing of soil beneath the USTs indicated they had leaked petroleum hydrocarbons (gasoline) into the ground. Between 1999 and 2011, the property owner installed/advanced 55 wells and borings on and around the property to assess and cleanup the leaked gasoline in soil and groundwater. The property owner performed various remediation (cleanup) activities, including excavation, groundwater extraction, and soil vapor extraction. Excavation consisted of digging out contaminated soil. Groundwater extraction consisted of pumping contaminated groundwater out of the ground. Soil vapor extraction consisted of applying a vacuum to specialized wells to remove gasoline vapors from underground. These activities removed more than **47,500 pounds** (approximately 7,910 gallons) of gasoline from beneath the property.

Central Valley Water Board staff has concluded that the remaining amount of gasoline in the ground does not pose a threat to human health, the environment, or future property activities. The remaining gasoline in groundwater beneath and around the property will naturally break down within a reasonable amount of time. Due to the low threat, Central Valley Water Board staff recommends case closure under the State Water Board's Low-Threat UST Case Closure Policy. Central Valley Water Board staff will consider public comments.

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 Waterloo Food & Fuel:

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- Call the Office of Public Participation at (916) 341-5254.
- Email the Office of Public Engagement, Equity, and Tribal Affairs at OPP-languageServices@Waterboards.ca.gov.

Notice to the Hearing Impaired

TDD users can obtain information about the Site by 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 Public Notice for the proposed UST case closure of Waterloo Food & Fuel

ATTACHMENTS

Figure 1: Site Map which shows the current remaining extent of petroleum impact to groundwater above water quality objectives

