Informational Workshop on Revising California Underground Storage Tank Regulations to Comply with Federal Underground Storage Tank Regulations

The United States Environmental Protection Agency issued revised Federal underground storage tank (UST) regulations on July 15, 2015. State Water Resources Control Board State (State Water Board) staff have drafted revised language in chapter 16 of title 23 of the California Code of Regulations to reflect current requirements imposed by the Federal UST regulations. Two workshops have been scheduled to share and discuss the initial draft language to receive feedback from various stakeholders before pursuing the formal rulemaking process. This workshop will cover the revised text and associate the requirement with the Federal UST regulations. Comments, concerns, and suggestions discussed during these workshops will be noted so that State Water Board staff can better understand concerns between various stakeholders. Below lists the dates, times, and locations of the workshops. No RSVP is required.

Monday, March 13, 2017, 12:00 p.m.-3:00 p.m.  
Joe Serna Jr. CalEPA Building  
Byron Sher Auditorium, Second Floor  
1001 I Street  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Tuesday, March 28, 2017, 9 a.m.-12:00 p.m.  
Junipero Serra Building  
Carmel Room, First Floor  
320 West 4th Street, Suite 100  
Los Angeles, CA 90013

Please direct all questions regarding this informational workshop to Amanda Flores by telephone at (916) 341-5860, or by email at amanda.flores@waterboards.ca.gov.

U.S. EPA Underground Storage Tank Flood Guide

In consideration of the current flood scenarios playing out in California, the State Water Resources Control Board Underground Storage Tank Leak Prevention Program would like to remind Unified Program Agencies, owners/operators, maintenance personnel, and other stakeholders about U.S. EPA’s Underground Storage Tank Flood Guide.

This guide provides simple guidelines and useful information in the event of a threatened or actual flood. The guide provides information about preparing for a flood, important actions after the disaster strikes, and information on financial assistance. It consolidates information from various federal, state, nongovernmental, and UST industry resources. The guide will help prepare for, prevent, or lessen the catastrophic effects and environmental harm that could occur because of flooded UST systems, as well as help return these USTs to service as soon as possible.

The guide can be found at:  

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CUPA Conference 2017 Training Session Presentations

The California Certified Unified Program Agency (CUPA) Forum Board in association with the California Environmental Protection Agency, its boards, offices and departments; the Office of the State Fire Marshall and the Office of Emergency Services held its 19th Annual Unified Program Conference on February 6 – 9, 2017 in San Diego. Training session presentations, including those presented by the State Water Board, are posted online at the California CUPA Forum Training Center. Login at https://calcupa.org/ to access training session presentations.

CERS Information Live on Geotracker

The link between Geotracker and CERS is now live. The Geotracker public portal will depict permitted UST facility address and the permitting agency. The Geotracker regulator portal will show additional information to include CERS I.D. number, number of existing USTs and the most recent UST inspection date. This information will be updated on a weekly basis. The Geotracker web page is located at https://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov.

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