

Work Notice

The mission of DTSC is to protect California's people and environment from harmful effects of toxic substances by restoring contaminated resources, enforcing hazardous waste laws, reducing hazardous waste generation, and encouraging the manufacture of chemically safer products.

Field Work At the UC Richmond Field Station Beginning September 1, 2015

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) is distributing this work notice to inform the community about DTSC approved work at the University of California, Richmond Field Station (Site), now called the Berkeley Global Campus at Richmond Bay, located at 1301 South 46th Street, Richmond, California 94804.

What Work Will Be Done?

Beginning September 1, the following activities will be conducted at the site:

- Mowing and removal of pampas grass and other invasive weeds in the Western Transition Area/Bulb. Workers will use a mower and hand tools to conduct the work. Mowing is expected to begin the first week of September and last approximately 1 day. Pampas grass and other weed removal will start in early September and continue through the fall, weather permitting.
- Geophysical survey for underground objects in the Western Transition Area/Bulb. Surveyors will use magnetometers and other metal-detection equipment. Geophysical methods are equivalent to those used prior to and during the exploratory excavation of the Bulb in October 2014. Work is expected to occur during the week of September 7 or 14, and will last approximately 1 day.
- Soil sampling for polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) in EPA Meadow North, located just south of Lark Drive. A backhoe with an auger attachment and a hand auger will be used to collect the samples. Work is expected to take place after September 7, and will last approximately ½ day.
- Soil sampling in compliance with the Soil Management Plan for a phytoremediation research project on the east side of Building 163. A hand auger will be used to collect the sample. Work is expected to occur in September and will last approximately ½ day.

All work will be done Monday through Friday during normal business hours, 7:00 AM to 6:00 P.M.

How Can I Find More Information?

The work plan and other project-related documents and information can be found at the following locations:

Richmond Library
325 Civic Center Plaza
Richmond, CA 94804
(Call 510-620-6561 for hours)

DTSC File room
700 Heinz Avenue
Berkeley, CA 94710
(Call 510-540-3880 for appointment)

Information is also available online at DTSC's Envirostor website: <http://www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov/public>. Click on "Site/Facility Search" and enter "Richmond" as the City then click "Get Report." Find "University of California, Richmond" then click on the "Report" link next to the Site name.

If you also would like DTSC to notify you via email when new Envirostor documents are available online, please sign up to receive email alerts on the EnviroStor report page.

DTSC Contact Information:

For information about the Site: Lynn Nakashima, Project Manager (510) 540-3839 or Lynn.Nakashima@dtsc.ca.gov.

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Figure: Berkeley Global Campus at Richmond Bay featuring work areas in this notice