

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, BERKELEY
RICHMOND BAY CAMPUS
RICHMOND FIELD STATION SITE
MONTHLY SUMMARY REPORT
October 15, 2024

This monthly summary report (MSR) summarizes environmental site investigation and remediation activities conducted on behalf of The Regents of the University of California (UC) at the University of California, Berkeley's Richmond Field Station Site in accordance with Section 6.3 of the California Environmental Protection Agency, Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) Site Investigation and Remediation Order (Order), Docket No. I/SE-RAO 06/07-004, effective on September 20, 2006.

a. Specific actions taken by or on behalf of Respondents during the previous calendar month (September 2024).

- Field Activity: Groundwater Monitoring. UC Berkeley equilibrated all groundwater piezometers on September 30, followed by measuring groundwater levels on October 1.

b. Actions expected to be conducted during the current calendar month (October 2024).

- Reporting and Communication: Corp Yard Investigation, East Meadow and DU7. UC Berkeley submitted a summary letter presenting sampling results for the East Meadow and DU7 excavation to DTSC and EPA on March 15. DTSC provided comments dated May 10 to UC Berkeley on June 5. EPA provided comments on June 27. UC Berkeley provided a verbal response in the quarterly meeting with DTSC on October 10. UC Berkeley proposed potholing to collect step-out samples starting from the excavation sidewalls and bottoms that exceeded the cleanup level and stated it would follow up with DTSC to provide work plan details.
- Reporting and Communication: Western Transition Area (WTA) Phase V Investigation. UC Berkeley submitted the Phase V implementation summary report on October 10. This report incorporated comments received on the Phase V, WTA Sample Results letter, dated October 16, 2020, and the supplemental investigation defining the extent of the dark product encountered during the original Phase V investigation. This document also incorporated the Phase V Western Stege Marsh Implementation Summary Report, completed in 2018.
- Reporting and Communication: Quarterly Meetings. UC Berkeley staff conduct quarterly meetings with DTSC. The purpose of these meetings is to provide DTSC, EPA, City of Richmond, Campus Bay, and UC Berkeley Richmond Field Station representatives with the opportunity to coordinate together on regional cleanup activities at the southeast Richmond shoreline. The meeting was conducted for October 10.

c. All planned activities for the next month and beyond (November 2024 and beyond).

- Reporting and Communications: Joint Groundwater Monitoring Report. DTSC sent a letter, dated June 14, to UC Berkeley RFS and Zeneca requesting future groundwater monitoring reports be prepared as consolidated single reports for unified review. UC Berkeley RFS and Zeneca will prepare an outline, table of contents, and consolidated figures for the joint report and present them in a discussion with DTSC that is scheduled for November 6.

- Reporting and Communications: 5-Year Review. UC Berkeley will prepare the 5-Year review in compliance with the Removal Action Workplan (RAW) for the Research, Education, and Support (RES) and Groundwater. The 5-Year Review will incorporate progress conducted since the previous 5-Year Review submittal in 2019 and incorporate any new toxicity or screening levels.
- Reporting and Communications: Soil Management Plan. Per discussions with DTSC on April 11, UC Berkeley will prepare the Draft Soil Management Plan, Revision 4, following completion of the 5-Year Review, as the updated screening levels would require documentation within the Soil Management Plan. Revision 4 will replace the Draft Soil Management Plan, Revision 3, which was not finalized.
- Reporting and Communication: B112 PCB Removal Action. UC Berkeley will issue hard copies of the final implementation summary report for the B112 Transformer Area PCB removal action to DTSC.
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d. Any requirements under the Order that were not completed.

- None

e. Any problems or anticipated problems in complying with this Order.

- None