



ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SERVICES
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION
1131 Harbor Bay Parkway, Suite 250
Alameda, CA 94502-6577
(510) 567-6700
FAX (510) 337-93

June 5, 2012

Mr. Rory MacNeil
Alameda County Public Works
399 Elmhurst Street
Hayward, CA 94544-1307
(Sent via E-mail to: rory@acpwa.org)

SUBJECT: Alameda County Transportation Corridor (portion of APN 94-110-46-2 east of Ray Street), Pleasanton, CA 94566

Dear Mr. Rory MacNeil:

This letter explains the status of the subject property with respect to groundwater pollution in the vicinity of the property. The subject property is located down-gradient (northwest) from the Shell #135782 at 4212 1st Street, Pleasanton. Petroleum hydrocarbon releases consisting of a mixture of gasoline and MTBE at the Shell site polluted soil and groundwater, with groundwater pollution extending offsite. At this time, it does not appear that the plume from the Shell site extends beneath the former railroad right-of-way that is currently an unoccupied open area. The plume, which is generally 30 to 70 feet below ground surface, is not expected to affect any water supply wells or pose a risk to nearby residents. The Shell #135782 site is an open fuel leak case under the regulatory oversight of Alameda County Environmental Health (ACEH).

Based on information currently available to ACEH staff, we conclude that groundwater pollution detected in the vicinity of the subject property is likely the result of the migration of pollutants in groundwater from the upgradient Unocal site at 4191 1st Street, although potentially there may be impacts from the upgradient Shell site. In general, ACEH does not pursue enforcement action against a property owner whose land overlies contaminated groundwater if that contamination is solely the result of the migration of groundwater contaminants from an off-site source or sources. Accordingly, ACEH will not name current and future owners of the subject property as dischargers with respect to groundwater pollution from offsite sources. However, ACEH may hold such a property owner responsible for investigation or cleanup tasks if he or she refuses to provide reasonable access to an upgradient discharger attempting to investigate and cleanup off-site groundwater pollution. Access to your property may be required, in the future, in order to conduct cleanup activities for the downgradient petroleum hydrocarbon plume.

If you have any questions, please call me at (510) 567-6791 or send me an electronic mail message at jerry.wickham@acgov.org. Case files can be reviewed online at the following website: <http://www.acgov.org/aceh/index.htm>.

Sincerely,

Jerry Wickham, California PG 3766, CEG 1177, and CHG 297
Senior Hazardous Materials Specialist

cc: Danielle Stefani, Livermore Pleasanton Fire Department, 3560 Nevada St, Pleasanton, CA 94566
(Sent via E-mail to: dstefani@jpfire.org)

Colleen Winey (QIC 8021), Zone 7 Water Agency, 100 North Canyons Pkwy, Livermore, CA 94551
(Sent via E-mail to: cwiney@zone7water.com)

Denis L. Brown, Shell Oil Products US, 20945 S. Wilmington Ave, Carson, CA 90810

Clint Mercer (lessee), 1800 West Katella Avenue, Orange, CA 92867

Douglas and Mary Safrenos (property owners), 1627 Vineyard Avenue, Pleasanton, CA 94566 (Sent via E-mail: dmsafreno@sbcglobal.net)

Les Hausrath, Wendel, Rosen, Black & Dean, 1111 Broadway, 24th Floor, Oakland, CA 94607 (Sent via E-mail to: LHausrath@wendel.com)

Christine Noma, Wendel, Rosen, Black & Dean, 1111 Broadway, 24th Floor, Oakland, CA 94607
(Sent via E-mail to: CNoma@wendel.com)

Peter Schaefer, Conestoga-Rovers & Associates, 5900 Hollis Street, Suite A
Emeryville, CA 94608 (Sent via E-mail to: pschaefer@craworld.com)

Aaron O'Brien, Tamalpais Environmental Consultants, 32 Hill Avenue, Fairfax, CA 94930

Andrew Massey, Deputy County Counsel, 1221 Oak Street, Suite 450. Oakland, CA 94612 (Sent via E-mail to: andrew.massey@acgov.org)

Ariu Levi, ACEH (Sent via E-mail to: ariu.levi@acgov.org)

Donna Drogos, ACEH (Sent via E-mail to: donna.drogos@acgov.org)

Jerry Wickham, ACEH (Sent via E-mail to: jerry.wickham@acgov.org)

GeoTracker, eFile