

# Fact Sheet

## Upcoming Environmental Work

Aspire Golden State College Preparatory Academy  
1009 66<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Oakland

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### Background

Aspire Public Schools builds small, high-quality schools in underserved, inter-city areas. The Aspire Golden State College Preparatory Academy (Aspire School) was built on a piece of property that used to be owned by a company that built and repaired motors from the late 1940s to early 2000s. This work left chemicals in the soil and groundwater beneath the property including volatile organic compounds, petroleum byproducts and polychlorinated biphenyls.

Before Aspire School was built, the site was investigated and cleaned up to make it a suitable and safe property for a school. This included the removal of an underground gasoline storage tank, contaminated soil and groundwater, and the installation of asphalt, concrete and landscaped areas to prevent human contact with any contamination that remained in soil. Investigation and cleanup work was overseen by the Alameda County Department of Environmental Health (Alameda County) and the US Environmental Protection Agency (US EPA).



Over the next few months, we will be conducting some environmental work at Aspire School.

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### Upcoming Work

Alameda County and the US EPA have asked us to conduct additional work to address remaining environmental issues at the property. As part of this request, we will be conducting the following field work in January 2015.

- We will collect soil samples from beneath the asphalt where the gymnasium/lunch room will be built. This will help us determine the best way to construct the building in a way that fully protects the health of our students, teachers, staff and neighbors.
- We will be collecting samples of soil gas and air in the crawl space in the vicinity of and underneath Building 200 to confirm that low levels of chemicals in groundwater and soil are not impacting indoor air quality.

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### For More Information

We will continue to provide you with information on this project and share the results of field work. If you have questions, please contact Tracy Craig at 510-334-4866 or [Tracy@Craig-Communications.com](mailto:Tracy@Craig-Communications.com).