

## Wickham, Jerry, Env. Health

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**From:** Wickham, Jerry, Env. Health  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 01, 2014 4:39 PM  
**To:** 'Becky Sterbentz'; Musonge, Martin@Waterboards  
**Cc:** Gary Sloboda  
**Subject:** RE: 1424 Harrison Street, Oakland

After speaking with Becky and Martin today, I wanted to provide some clarification. Alameda County did not issue a request for additional work at 1424 Harrison subsequent to the 2010 report cited below. However, work was ongoing at 1432 Harrison at that time and the question of whether additional work would be required at some time in the future for 1424 Harrison was not resolved prior to transfer of the case to the San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board (Water Board) in 2012. The case is now under Water Board regulatory oversight and Alameda County defers to the Water Board on any decisions regarding the need for additional work at 1424 Harrison Street in Oakland.

Regards,  
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**From:** Becky Sterbentz [<mailto:becky@aquifer.com>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, July 01, 2014 11:42 AM  
**To:** Musonge, Martin@Waterboards  
**Cc:** Wickham, Jerry, Env. Health; Gary Sloboda  
**Subject:** 1424 Harrison Street, Oakland

Hi Martin,

As you requested, I telephoned Jerry Wickham, the caseworker who handled the environmental case for 1424 Harrison Street, Oakland, when Alameda County was the lead agency.

Mr. Wickham vaguely remembered the case, even though it has been years since the case was transferred to RWQCB. I noted that Aquifer Sciences had prepared and submitted a report dated 1/15/10 in response to the County's letter requesting a work plan for investigation in the vicinity of the two tanks closed in place at 1424 Harrison. The 1/15/10 report conclusions state that the petroleum hydrocarbon contamination found in the vicinity and street area was not coming from the former tanks at 1424 Harrison, but instead from the adjacent property at 1432 Harrison since the 1432 site is upgradient based on their own data. Furthermore, any contamination that might be found during an investigation at 1424 would likely be the result of migration from 1432. Based on the data and conclusions presented in the 1/15/10 report, the County accepted this and no longer required a work plan for investigation at 1424 Harrison. Although the County did not put this writing, there was also never any followup correspondence reiterating a request for a work plan.

After speaking with Mr. Wickham about this case, he said he would telephone you to discuss it.

Thank you.

Becky

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