

# UST Program Update September 2016

#### Informational Workshop on Permanent Closure of Single-Walled USTs September 19 in Cupertino

The State Water Board will be holding an informational workshop to discuss the permanent closure of single-walled USTs in Cupertino on September 19, 2016. Underground Storage Tank (UST) Leak Prevention Program staff will discuss in detail the design and construction requirements, as well as the closure requirements, imposed by Senate Bill 445 (Stats. 2014, Ch. 547). Replacing, Removing, or Upgrading Underground Storage Tanks (RUST) Program staff will discuss loan and grant funding opportunities available to assist eligible small business owners/operators to meet the single-walled UST removal requirement. Lastly, UST Cleanup Fund staff will present information regarding cleanup funds available to assist eligible owners/operators with cleaning up petroleum-related contamination from the UST.

The workshop is from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on Monday, September 19, 2016 at the City of Cupertino Community Hall, 10350 Torre Avenue, Cupertino CA, 95014.

For more information see our informational page located at:

http://waterboards.ca.gov/water\_issues/programs/ust/single\_walled/docs/single\_walled\_closure\_worksh op\_sept\_2016.pdf or contact Jessica Botsford at <u>Jessica.botsford@waterboards.ca.gov</u> or (916) 341-7338.

### Informational Webinar on Permanent Closure of Single-Walled USTs September 26, 2016

The State Water Board will be hosting an Informational Webinar on Permanent Closure of Single-Walled USTs. UST Leak Prevention Program staff will discuss in detail the design and construction requirements, as well as the closure requirements, imposed by Senate Bill 445 (Stats. 2014, Ch. 547). Replacing, Removing, or Upgrading Underground Storage Tanks (RUST) Program staff will discuss loan and grant funding opportunities available to assist eligible small business owners/operators to meet the single-walled UST removal requirement. Lastly, UST Cleanup Fund staff will present information regarding cleanup funds available to assist eligible owners/operators with cleaning up petroleum-related contamination from the UST.

The webinar is from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on Monday, September 26, 2016. To join the webinar portion of the meeting, click here:

https://stateofcaswrcbweb.centurylinkccc.com/CenturylinkWeb/LauraFisher

Enter your name and email address and click on Join Meeting.

After you have accessed the website, call in on your telephone.

Telephone: 1-720-279-0026, the Participant pass code: 649984#

Video capacity is 125 connections, and call in capacity is 300 incoming telephone lines.

Attendees may pose written questions during the webinar. Questions will be collected during the webinar and responses provided approximately 7 days after the webinar has concluded. To ask a question, click on the Q&A icon located at the top of the page.

For more information see our informational page located at:

http://waterboards.ca.gov/water\_issues/programs/ust/single\_walled/docs/single\_walled\_closure\_webinar\_sept\_2016.pdf or contact Jessica Botsford at Jessica.botsford@waterboards.ca.gov or (916) 341-7338.

#### Informational Webinar Regarding the UST Element of the CalEPA CUPA Evaluation

The State Water Board UST Program will be hosting 90 minute webinars on the new CUPA UST evaluation process. CUPA managers and appropriate staff are encouraged to attend one of the two (2) remaining webinars. The content presented at each webinar will be the same.

The webinars will include a brief overview of the new CUPA evaluation process. Specific to the UST Program element, the webinars will include details on the information that will be requested by the State Water Board and required to be submitted by the CUPAs, how CERS will be used as part of the evaluation process, and how CUPAs can prepare for the evaluation. A CERS demonstration will be provided to assist CUPAs with how to rapidly identify UST facilities with inaccurate or incomplete information, UST facilities whose inspections are late, and assessing the consistency of reporting UST violations in CERS.

The remaining webinars will be hosted on September 12, 2016 at 1:00pm and September 29, 2016 at 10:00am. For information on how to access the webinar please refer to Lyris email distributed on July 25, 2016 or by contacting Jessica Botsford at Jessica.botsford@waterboards.ca.gov or (916) 341-7338.

## **State Water Resources Control Board Adopts Proposed Title 23 UST Regulations for Electronic Reporting**

A resolution to adopt the proposed regulatory amendments to the California Code of Regulations, title 23, division 3, chapter 16 to clarify or make specific the method of reporting for existing reporting requirement occurred Tuesday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2016. The regulatory package has been transmitted to Office of Administrative Law (OAL) for a 30 working day review to determine whether the procedural requirements were satisfied and to review the proposed regulations for compliance with the other legal standards. If OAL disapproves the package the State Water

Board will have 120 days to rectify the text. If approved the amended regulations will become effective January 1, 2017.

The amended regulations require UST owners or operators and local agencies to submit specified information or documents to CERS or a local reporting portal. These provisions do not include any new reporting requirements; however, the existing reporting requirements are amended to make specific the method of reporting. In addition to the requirements to submit specified information or documents through CERS, existing regulations also include requirements for submission of other information or documents that cannot be submitted through CERS and in certain instances must be submitted electronically through GeoTracker. Additionally, as amended, the regulations provide that where a submittal method is not specified, the information or document may be provided by hand-delivery, mail, or facsimile or other electronic methods, unless otherwise directed by the State Water Board, Regional Water Board, or local agency that will receive the submittal.

The noticing, proposed text, draft final statement of reasons, and additional information and resources related to the adopted proposed regulation are provided on the State Water Board's UST Leak Prevention webpage: <a href="http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water">http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water</a> issues/programs/ust/adm\_notices/elect\_rpt\_regs/

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