

State Water Resources Control Board

NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK CASE CLOSURE PURSUANT TO HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE SECTION 25296.40 AND THE STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD LOW-THREAT UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK CASE CLOSURE POLICY:

**MR. JOHN PORTER (PETITIONER),
THE BENBOW INN, 445 LAKE BENBOW DRIVE, GARBERVILLE,
HUMBOLDT COUNTY, CA**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the State Water Resources Control Board (State Water Board) will accept comments on the proposed underground storage tank (UST) case closure for Humboldt County Department of Health and Human Services (County) case number 12783.

Health and Safety Code section 25296.40 allows for an owner or operator, or responsible party, who has a UST case, who believes that the corrective action plan has been satisfactory implemented, and where closure has not been granted, to petition the State Water Board for review of their case. Upon review of the case, the State Water Board may close or require the closure of any UST case if it is determined that corrective action has been completed in accordance with Health and Safety Code section 25296.10. Pursuant to State Water Board Resolution No. 2012-0061, the Executive Director of the State Water Board may close or require closure of cases that meet the criteria specified in the State Water Board's Low-Threat Underground Storage Tank Case Closure Policy (Policy) adopted by State Water Board Resolution No. 2012-0016.

A Case Closure Summary has been prepared that contains information about the UST case that forms the basis for the UST Cleanup Unit staff's recommendation to the Executive Director for UST case closure. A copy of this notice has been provided to the responsible party, owner/operator, environmental consultant on record, the applicable Regional Water Quality Control Board and local agency that has been overseeing corrective action, agencies with authority to issue building permits, owners and occupants of the impacted property, owners and occupants of all parcels adjacent to impacted properties, the water replenishment district, the local water purveyor, the municipal water district, county water district, and special act district with groundwater management authority.

DOCUMENT AVAILABILITY

The UST Case Closure Summary and the draft Order are available to view or download on the State Water Board's Web site at:

http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/ustcf/prop_closure_cases.shtml.

Paper copies of the Case Closure Summary and the draft Order are available upon request by writing to Ben Heningburg, Division of Water Quality, State Water Resources Control Board, P.O. Box 2231, Sacramento, CA 95812; by calling Mr. Heningburg at (916) 341-5749; or by e-mail at:

benjamin.heningburg@waterboards.ca.gov.


SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS

Interested persons are encouraged to submit their comments, evidence, and other material electronically. Comment letters can be submitted by e-mail to:

USTClosuresComments@waterboards.ca.gov (if less than 10 megabytes in total size) or by fax at (916) 341-5808 with the subject "**Comment Letter – The Benbow Inn Case Closure Summary.**" In order to be fully considered, written comments must be received by **12:00 noon on Friday, July 19, 2013.** Written comments may also be delivered via mail:

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1001 I Street, P.O. Box 2231, Sacramento, CA 95812
or hand-delivered to the following address:
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Please direct questions about this notice to Ben Heningburg, UST Cleanup Unit III, at (916) 341-5749 (benjamin.heningburg@waterboards.ca.gov) or Nathan Jacobsen, Staff Counsel at (916) 341-5181 (nathan.jacobsen@waterboards.ca.gov).


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