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Project Vicinity Map















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Soil and Groundwater Management Contingency Plan

Old Carson Mill 1535 Waterfront Drive Eureka, California RWQCB Case No. 1NHU330

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Abbreviations and Acronyms

141 I.	not tested/insufficient amount of sample
<	"less than" the stated method reporting limit
mg/kg	milligrams per kilogram
mg/L	milligrams per liter
ng/L	nanograms per liter
ppb	parts per billion
ppm	parts per million
ug/kg	micrograms per kilogram
ug/L	micrograms per liter
umhos/cm	micromhos per centimeter
APN	Assessor's parcel number
BGS	below ground surface
DCO ₂	dissolved carbon dioxide
DO	dissolved oxygen
E&E	Ecology and Environment, Inc.
EPA	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
EX#	excavation number
GW-#	groundwater sample-number
MW-#	monitoring well
NA	not applicable
ND	not detected
NM	not measured
NR	no reference
NS	not sampled
ORP	oxidation-reduction potential
PAH	polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbons
P#	test pit number
PVC	polyvinyl chloride
RWQCB	North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board
SCP	site clean-up plan
SP#-W	soil boring-number
SGMCP	soil and groundwater management contingency plan
SHN	SHN Consulting Engineers & Geologists, Inc.
TCLP	toxicity characteristic leaching procedure
TPHD	total petroleum hydrocarbons as diesel
TPHMO	total petroleum hydrocarbons as motor oil
USGS	U.S. Geological Survey
WP-#	well point-number

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1.0 Introduction

This soil and groundwater management contingency plan (SGMCP) has been developed by SHN Consulting Engineers & Geologists, Inc. (SHN) for the Old Carson Mill in Eureka, California, on behalf of the City of Eureka. Following regulatory site closure, areas of residual soil and groundwater contamination will remain in place at the site. As a result, SHN has developed this SGMCP to address worker safety issues associated with future site development. This SGMCP contains information regarding the site history, location and levels of contamination present, and the appropriate actions for working in areas with contaminated soil and/or groundwater. Regulatory correspondence is included in Appendix A.

1.1 Purpose

This SGMCP provides the property owner with a usable document to protect workers and employees, with regard to the documented contamination at the site. This document serves to outline necessary actions to be taken in the event that contaminated soil and/or groundwater is encountered during future site activities. The complete set of documents regarding site investigation and remediation activities is accessible for review at the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board's (RWQCB) office. Some documents and an electronic file of this SGMCP are available on the State of California Water Resources Control Board's Geotracker website at the following link: http://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/profile_report.asp?global_id=T0602393232

This SGMCP includes appropriate actions to address waste characterization, handling, and proper disposal of contaminated soil and/or groundwater encountered during future site development activities.

Subsurface investigations have been performed at the site and have identified areas with residual soil and groundwater contamination. However, additional remaining contamination may exist in soil and groundwater found elsewhere on the site. SHN recommends a presumption that any shallow soil and groundwater at the site may contain residual levels of contamination. This SGMCP is based on the conditions last encountered at the subject site. Petroleum hydrocarbon contaminants will degrade over time resulting in the variability of such contamination. Adjacent-site or onsite releases may create contamination at this site during future operations. It is the responsibility of the property owner to retain this document and provide it to contractors or employees prior to conducting subsurface work at the subject site.

1.2 Site Description

The site is located within Township 5 North, Range 1 West, Section 23, Humboldt Base and Meridian (Figure 1). The site is adjacent to the Humboldt Bay at 1535 Waterfront Drive in Eureka, California, and consists of the former mill site (Areas 1, 2, and 3), the Samoa Bridge easement (Area 4), and the former foundry area (Area 5) (Figure 2).

The site is located at an elevation of approximately 10 feet above mean sea level, and there is very little topographic variation within the site parcel. South of the property, surface topography increases in elevation up to approximately 15 feet where a marine terrace bluff extends along Waterfront Drive. During intense rainfall, standing water accumulates in isolated locations across the site, and local surface drainage from nearby areas enters into multiple storm drains.

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1.3 Site History

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The former mill site was the location of a Wiyot Tribe village, although the exact location of the village on the parcel is not known (SHN, February 1994). The bay margin area was historically filled for construction of the various commercial activities conducted on the site.

Historically, the former mill site was operated as a redwood lumber mill under a number of different owners and operators, including Dolbeer and Carson, the Pacific Lumber Company, Eureka Redwood Lumber Company, and Simpson Redwood Company. The property was also used by Fuji & Company, Long and Richard, Park Loading Company, Mecca Lumber Company, Bliss and Sons Livestock Company, Halvorsen Industries, Eureka Oyster Farms, and an unnamed truck repair and machine shop.

During the early 1980s, construction of a hotel began and demolition of the remaining mill buildings was completed. Fill material was brought onto the site for grading purposes and a foundation for the hotel was constructed before the project was abandoned (E&E, 2001).

The eastern portion of the site (Figure 2, Area 5) was the location of a foundry operated by the ACME Foundry Company during the late 1800s or early 1900s until it was sold in January 1948 to the Eureka Boiler Works. The property was acquired by Coastwise Industrial Company in July 1952, and their use of the property is unknown. The site buildings and foundations were demolished and an underground storage tank was excavated during the 1970s (E&E, 2001).

In 1994, a Phase I environmental site assessment was performed in accordance with the American Society for Testing and Materials-International guidelines for property transactions (SHN, February 1994). The assessment identified 20 conditions of apparent environmental concern associated with the historical mill and foundry operations at the site (SHN, February 1994). In June 1994, a Phase II soil and groundwater investigation characterized soil and groundwater at the former foundry and former mill sites (SHN, June 1994). Laboratory analytical results of soil and groundwater indicated that metals (cadmium, chromium, nickel, lead, and zinc), and total petroleum hydrocarbons as motor oil (TPHMO) and as diesel (TPHD) were present in samples collected at the site. Analytical results were compared to cleanup levels proposed in the report to identify areas-of-concern and "hot spot" areas-of-concern (SHN, June 1994).

In 2001, a Phase II Brownfields targeted site assessment was conducted on the former foundry and former mill sites by Ecology and Environment, Inc., to address the RWQCB's concerns regarding TPHMO, TPHD, lead, and zinc contamination identified in the 1994 Phase II investigation. This investigation focused sampling efforts on areas-of-concern previously identified in the 1994 Phase II investigation to characterize the depth and magnitude of TPHMO, TPHD, lead, and zinc contamination for site cleanup. Laboratory analytical results confirmed the presence of elevated levels of lead, zinc, TPHMO, TPHD, and polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbons (PAH) in the soil (E&E, 2001).

Remediation of the former foundry area was performed in 2005, and subsequent groundwater monitoring was conducted from October 2005 to April 2007. The 2005 remediation included removing construction debris and excavation and disposal of contaminated soil (SHN, January 2006), followed by four consecutive quarterly groundwater-monitoring events to assess the presence of dissolved lead in groundwater. Dissolved lead was not detected in any of the groundwater samples above the method detection limit during the four quarters of groundwater monitoring (SHN, June 2007). In June 2007, SHN requested no further action for the former foundry area. In a letter dated September 13, 2007, the RWQCB concurred that no further action for the former foundry area would be necessary, but indicated that the entire site (former foundry area

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and former mill) would not be closed until all areas identified in the June 1994 Phase II report had been investigated and discharges abated (Appendix A). The monitoring wells at the foundry area were properly destroyed in 2007.

In 2009, at the request of the RWQCB, SHN collected groundwater samples from select locations on the former mill area to determine impacts to groundwater. The results of the work, submitted to the RWQCB in a report dated April 14, 2009, confirmed the presence of elevated levels of TPHMO, TPHD, chromium, lead, and zinc in groundwater at select locations across the site (SHN, April 2009).

In November 2009, SHN submitted a site cleanup plan to the RWQCB (SHN, November 2009). The cleanup plan was approved by the RWQCB in a letter dated April 5, 2010.

In July 2011, SHN supervised Northcoast Environmental Construction, Inc., in the excavation of impacted soils from four areas of the former mill area (SHN, November 2011). On November 15 and 16, 2011, seven groundwater monitoring wells (MW-5 through MW-11) were installed at the mill area (SHN, February 2012). Quarterly monitoring was conducted for one year following well installation.

In the third quarter 2012 groundwater monitoring report (SHN, November 2012), SHN requested regulatory closure of Case No.1NHU330, which was approved in a letter dated March 29, 2013 (Appendix A).

Historical soil and groundwater analytical data for the former mill and former foundry area are presented in Appendix B.

2.0 Contingency Plan

This SGMCP is required to minimize the potential threat of exposure to workers, with regard to the documented contamination left in place and potential contamination outside of the investigation areas. This SGMCP will also outline the necessary actions to be taken in the event that contaminated soil and/or groundwater is encountered during site development activities.

2.1 Locations of Known Contamination

For the purpose of this SGMCP, it should be presumed that contaminated soil and groundwater may be encountered throughout the site.

2.2 Type and Magnitude of Known Contamination

Identified contaminants of concern in soil and groundwater at the site consist primarily of TPHMO, TPHD, metals, and PAH.

2.2.1 Soil

Soil sampling performed during investigation activities indicates residual soil contamination is present at the site. Historical soil analytical data is included in Appendix B. Soil sampling locations are shown on Figures 3 through 6.

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2.2.2 Groundwater

Contaminants of concern in groundwater include primarily TPHMO, TPHD, chromium, lead, zinc, and PAH. Historical groundwater analytical results are summarized in Appendix B. Groundwater sampling locations are shown on Figures 3 and 4.

2.3 Notifications to be Performed Before Working in Suspected Contaminated Areas

Prior to conducting any subsurface work in the site area, the owner of the property (where work is to be performed) will provide this document to the contractor or employees. The contractor's or employees' site supervisor will read this document and become familiar with the potential hazards associated with working in potentially contaminated areas of the site. The contractor will prepare a site-specific health and safety plan. The site supervisor will conduct a site meeting with all personnel who have the potential of coming in contact with contaminated soil and/or groundwater, at which time he/she will instruct the personnel on the appropriate actions to be taken in the event that subsurface contamination is encountered. Each project worker will receive and read a copy of this document, and will sign a statement as to such before entering the work site. A copy of this document will be kept with the owner and contractor at the site during construction activities that involve excavation and/or trenching.

2.4 Actions to be Taken Before Working in Contaminated Areas

Prior to any subsurface work at the site, workers will review this document and familiarize themselves with the necessary actions to be taken in the event that contamination is encountered. If there is any uncertainty regarding the actions to be taken, the worker will consult the site supervisor prior to project commencement.

2.5 Actions to be Taken Upon Encountering Contaminated Material

If contaminated material is encountered, the site supervisor will be notified as soon as possible. The site supervisor will immediately notify the owner or owner's environmental representative. The owner will notify the appropriate regulatory agency (depending on the environmental issue encountered). The site supervisor will then determine if the workers possess adequate training and proper protective equipment to continue working in the area. Work will not resume until properly trained and equipped workers are present. A hazard analysis must be performed in accordance with a site safety plan to determine the appropriate level of personnel protection.

2.6 Construction Practices to Minimize the Disruption and Potential for Transport of Contaminated Material

Prior to beginning construction in areas where trenching or other earthwork is to be performed, the historical data (Appendix B) and the site maps that detail previous infrastructure and investigation locations (Figure 3 and 4) will be reviewed. If possible, work scheduled for identified contaminated areas will be relocated to minimize the disturbance or removal of contaminated material. If work in identified contaminated zones cannot be avoided, work will be conducted in such a manner that it minimizes the disturbance and removal of contaminated material. If a trench extends into the shallow groundwater, appropriate engineering controls will be placed in the trench backfill to minimize the potential for utility trenches to act as a preferential pathway. All contaminated material will be handled in accordance with the guidelines presented in Section 2.7.

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2.7 How to Properly Handle and Dispose of Contaminated Material

Each worker that may come into contact with contaminated material will use the level of protection specified in the health and safety plan and have all the necessary training required. This may include, but is not limited to, chemical resistant gloves, eye protection, a hardhat, and steel-toed chemical resistant boots.

Any suspect or contaminated soil that is encountered and requires removal (such as soil removed during trenching activities) will be moved for temporary stockpiling to a secure area of the site that is away from routine traffic and/or storm drains and is high enough that water will not pond on or around the soil. The soil will be placed and covered with six-millimeter or thicker plastic (Visqueen®), in such a way that the soil pile is protected from water run-on and run-off.

Soil samples will be collected for laboratory analysis from the stockpile using laboratory-supplied containers. The samples will be analyzed for contaminants as required by the appropriate disposal facility. The analytical results of the soil stockpile sample will be used to determine the proper handling and disposal method for the soil. In the event that the soil requires offsite disposal, a contractor licensed to transport such material will be used. The contractor will transport the contaminated soil to a facility that is licensed to accept such soil. All contaminated soil shall be removed from the site according to regulatory requirements for the specific contaminant type and concentrations. Waste manifest documents will be retained as required for the specific contaminant type.

Any suspect or contaminated groundwater that is encountered and requires removal will be pumped into appropriate containers, depending on the volume of water removed. If only a small volume of water is removed, Department of Transportation-approved 55-gallon steel drums may be appropriate. If a large volume of water needs to be removed, a Baker tank or equivalent may be necessary.

The removed water will be sampled for contaminants as required by an appropriate disposal facility to determine the appropriate disposal method. The analytical results of the groundwater sample will be used to determine the proper handling and disposal method for the water. In the event that the water requires treatment and offsite disposal, a contractor licensed to handle such material will transport the material to a facility that is licensed to accept such material for treatment and disposal. Waste manifest documents will be retained as required for the specific contaminant type.

3.0 Limitations

Information regarding environmental contamination in this SGMCP is based on data acquired during subsurface investigations described in Section 1.2. Not all areas of the site have been evaluated for the presence of environmental contamination. This SGMCP does not address issues related to other chemicals or media that may be encountered during subsurface or construction work (such as, but not limited to, unknown contamination from past industrial activity, demolition and construction debris, asbestos-containing materials, or lead-based paint). If such materials are encountered, employees, contractors, and workers are responsible for complying with all applicable laws pertaining to the characterization, handling, and disposal of these materials.

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