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**PUBLIC NOTICE: GROUNDWATER CLEANUP PROJECT AT  
FORMER STATE OF CALIFORNIA YOUTH AUTHORITY,  
3001 RAMONA AVENUE, SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA**

**Public Notice:** Sacramento County Environmental Management Department (SCEMD) invites public comment on the on-going groundwater cleanup project, made on behalf of California State University - Sacramento, for the former leaking underground storage tank (UST) site at 3001 Ramona Ave, Sacramento, Sacramento County. A map showing the location of the Site is attached (Figure 1).

**SUBJECT SITE:**

Former State of California Youth Authority  
3001 Ramona Avenue, Sacramento, California  
GeoTracker Global ID # T0606700029  
EMD Case # 0538/RO 997

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: 60 DAY**  
**1 September 2016 through 31 October 2016**

**CASE SUMMARY:**

The site is a former State of California Youth Authority (CYA) Northern Reception Center facility located at 3001 Ramona Avenue in Sacramento, California. The property is currently owned by California State University Sacramento. During June of 1988, a 550-gallon UST containing gasoline was excavated and removed from the site. A soil sample was collected and analyzed for total petroleum hydrocarbons (TPH) as gasoline (TPH-g) and benzene, toluene, ethyl benzene, and total xylenes (BTEX). Analytical results reported TPH-g and constituents of BTEX above the laboratory reporting limits. The tank excavation was backfilled and covered with an asphalt and gravel cap.

In August 1990, approximately 1,700 cubic yards of impacted soil were excavated to a maximum depth of 36 feet bgs at which contaminant concentrations were reported below laboratory detection limits. The impacted soil was properly disposed of at an approved facility. Based on analytical results of confirmation soil samples from the excavation, impacted soil remained in the south sidewall. The south sidewall had been excavated to within approximately 5 feet of the maintenance building; therefore, further excavation was unable to be performed.

In a letter dated October 16, 2006, the SCEMD requested that one groundwater monitoring well be installed downgradient of the 550-gallon gasoline UST removed in 1988. A monitoring well was installed in that area in 2007 and has been sampled quarterly until December of 2014. Groundwater samples from that well had not had a detection of TPH-g, diesel (TPH-d), or BTEX from 2007 to 2014.

In May 2016, seven additional borings were advanced and soil and groundwater samples were taken. None of the nine groundwater samples had detections of TPH-d, TPH-g or BTEX above the detection limit. None of the nine shallow soil samples had detections of diesel, gasoline, or benzene above the detection limit. One shallow soil sample had a concentration of 290 milligram per kilograms (parts per million) of hexane extractable material. The remaining eight samples did not have hexane extractable material above the detection limit. Therefore, SCEMD has determined that the case is eligible for No-Further-Action-Required (NFAR) status.

## **WHERE DO I GET MORE INFORMATION?**

The State Water Resources Control Board maintains a database called GeoTracker where technical reports, test results, regulatory activities, and other information are available. This database is available 24/7 to the public, free of charge, at the following website: <http://www.geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov> The GeoTracker site Global I.D. No. is T0606700029.

## **HOW DO I PARTICIPATE?**

Any interested individual has the opportunity to learn more about this cleanup project by submitting comments or questions to Mr. David Von Aspern with the SCEMD. Mr. Von Aspern can be reached at (916) 875-8467, via e-mail at [vonaspernd@saccounty.net](mailto:vonaspernd@saccounty.net) or in writing at 10590 Armstrong Avenue, Mather, California 95655.

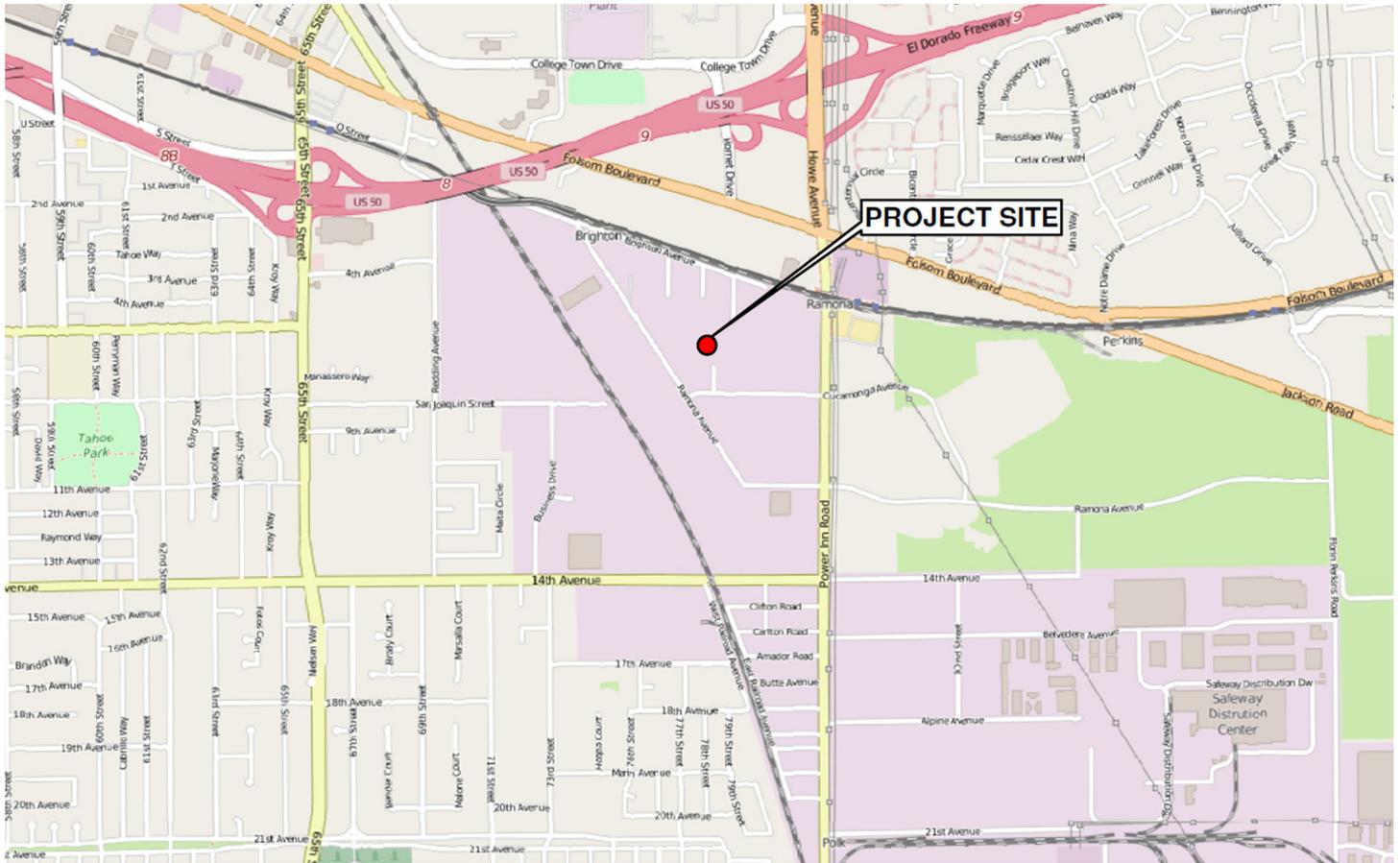


Figure 1 – Site Location Map – 3001 Ramona Avenue, Sacramento, California