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## State Water Resources Control Board

### REVIEW SUMMARY REPORT – ADDITIONAL WORK SIXTH REVIEW – AUGUST 2014

#### Agency Information

Agency Name: Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Water Board)	Address: 320 West 4 <sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 200 Los Angeles, CA 90013
Agency Caseworker: Noman Chowdhury	Case No.: R-00202

#### Case Information

USTCF Claim No.: 11924	GeoTracker Global ID: T0603704515
Site Name: Santa Fe Car Wash	Site Address: 13495 East Telegraph Road Whittier, CA 90605
Responsible Party: Santa Fe Car Wash	Address: 13495 East Telegraph Road Whittier, CA 90605
USTCF Expenditures to Date: \$778,796	Number of Years Case Open: 18

To view all public documents for this case available on GeoTracker use the following URL.

URL: [http://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/profile\\_report.asp?global\\_id=T0603704515](http://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/profile_report.asp?global_id=T0603704515)

#### Summary

The Low-Threat Underground Storage Tank (UST) Case Closure Policy (Policy) contains general and media-specific criteria, and cases that meet those criteria are appropriate for closure pursuant to the Policy. This case does not meet all of the required criteria of the Policy. Highlights of the case follow:

This Site is an active car wash. An unauthorized release was reported in July 1995 following the removal of three 10,000-gallon USTs (two gasoline and one diesel). Dual phase extraction was conducted intermittently from September 2006 through July 2012, which removed 28,258 pounds of total petroleum hydrocarbons as gasoline (TPHg). Since 1997, nine groundwater monitoring wells have been installed and monitored. According to groundwater data, water quality objectives have not been achieved and free product remains.

The petroleum release is limited to the soil and shallow groundwater. According to data available in GeoTracker, there are no public water supply wells or surface water bodies within 250 feet of the defined plume boundary. No other water supply wells have been identified within 250 feet of the defined plume boundary in files reviewed. The unauthorized release is located in an area serviced by public supply, as defined in the Policy. The affected shallow groundwater is not currently being used as a source of drinking water, and it is highly unlikely that the affected shallow groundwater will be used as a source of drinking water in the foreseeable future. Other designated beneficial uses of impacted groundwater are not threatened, and it is highly unlikely that they will be, considering these factors in the context of the site setting.

**Rationale for Closure under the Policy**

- General Criteria: The case does not meet all eight Policy general criteria; free product remains.
- Groundwater Specific Criteria: The case does not meet Policy criteria because free product remains.
- Vapor Intrusion to Indoor Air: This case does not meet Policy criteria because no soil data is available.
- Direct Contact and Outdoor Air Exposure: This case does not meet Policy criteria because no soil data is available.

**Objections to Closure and Responses**

According to the Path to Closure page in GeoTracker, finalized on November 18, 2013, the Regional Water Board opposes closure because:

- Free product remains.  
RESPONSE: We concur.
- Secondary source remains.  
RESPONSE: Secondary source as defined by the Policy was removed by active remediation.
- The case does not meet Policy groundwater criteria.  
RESPONSE: We concur.
- The case does not meet Policy vapor criteria.  
RESPONSE: We concur.

**Recommendation**

The Fund recommends that the Regional Water Board direct the responsible party to continue free product removal and to collect necessary soil samples to assess potential direct contact and vapor exposure.

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