

**DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY RESPONSE TO COMMENTS ON THE  
PROPOSED UST CASE CLOSURE OF 76 STATION NO. 5685/5105  
1950 GUERNEVILLE ROAD, SANTA ROSA (SITE)**

We received one comment letter during the public comment period, which ended on September 9, 2013 at noon. The comments and our responses are presented here.

Comment letter received:

1. Ms. Judy Emis, Nearby Property Owner

**COMMENT 1: Ms. Judy Emis (Ms. Emis), objects to discontinuing the monitoring of her domestic well which is located at 2075 Marlow Road in Santa Rosa.**

RESPONSE: Ms. Emis's well is located at 2075 Marlow Road and is approximately 330 feet north-northeast (upgradient/cross-gradient) of the Site boundary. Two hundred feet closer is an open underground storage tank (UST) case, Redwood Oil #114, located at 1855 Guerneville Road. The methyl tert-butyl ether (MTBE) impacting her well would most likely be from Redwood Oil #114. The North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board issued Ms. Emis a letter saying that monitoring/testing of her well will be continued.

Site conditions meet all eight general criteria, the Groundwater-Specific Criteria Class 5, the exception for Vapor Intrusion to Indoor Air, and the Direct Contact and Outdoor Air Exposure Class "a" set forth in the Low-Threat UST Case Closure Policy (Policy). The plume emanating from the release area is stable and did not migrate off-Site. Total petroleum hydrocarbons as diesel, total petroleum hydrocarbons as gasoline, and benzene are all non-detect in on-Site wells MW-3 and MW-12. The most current groundwater sampling results in February 2013 indicate that MTBE is non-detect in well MW-3 and only detected at a concentration well below the water quality objective (WQO) in well MW-12. Dissolved MTBE concentrations in well MW-12 have been below the WQO since 2009. Wells MW-3 and MW-12 are perimeter wells and located between the Site and Ms. Emis's well.

Given the fact that the contaminant plume from the Site did not migrate off-Site and that Ms. Emis's well is upgradient/cross-gradient from the Site and located closer to Redwood Oil #114, it is highly unlikely that the plume from the Site would impact Ms. Emis's well.

Our record indicates that Ms. Emis's well has been monitored and tested by Redwood Oil #114. Therefore, case closure for the Site will not affect whether Ms. Emis's well will be continued monitored and tested.

**COMMENT 2: Ms. Emis states that two drain pipes, which were designed to divert excess stormwater, were installed incorrectly by the county years ago. These improperly constructed drain pipes divert excess stormwater from all three gas stations onto Ms. Emis's property. Ms. Emis requests that the pipes be straightened out and connected properly to take the excess runoff water to the sewer and not channeled into her back yard. Ms. Emis also requests that the runoff water channeled to her back yard be tested.**

RESPONSE: State Water Board staff contacted the City of Santa Rosa to discuss Ms. Emis's request to straighten the stormwater drain pipes and connect them to the sewer, and that the runoff water channeled to her back yard be tested. The City of Santa Rosa has committed to follow up on this issue and to contact the State Water Board staff upon resolution.

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**COMMENT 3: Ms. Emis requests a copy of the complete record for the Site.**

RESPONSE: On the September 25, 2013 phone conversation with Ms. Emis, State Water Board staff informed her that we would provide the copies of the entire record to her with a charge for each page. She elected to not have any reports sent to her for this Site. This issue has been resolved.

COMMENT LETTER - 76 STATION NO. 5658/5105 CASE CLOSURE SUMMARY

August 24, 2013

George Lockwood  
State Water Resources Control Board  
Division of Water Quality  
1001 I Street -- P.O. Box 2231  
Sacramento, CA 95612

Dear Mr. Lockwood:

RE: Case No. 1TSRO63

I have been unable to reach you by phone and have no computer. I strongly object to discontinuing monitoring my well, located at 2075 Marlow Road, Santa Rosa, CA 95405 and request a copy of any and all information you have regarding this. My two daughters, Shera Emis and her son, and my younger daughter, Christine rent that house from me. Address correspondence to me,

Judy Emis, owner (503) 634-2398

Shera Emis

8401 S. Monte Cristo Rd.

COPY TO:

2075 Marlow Rd.

Woodburn, OR 97071

Santa Rosa, CA 95405

My daughter was told by the man testing my water that he would not drink the water even with the filters on it. A short distance behind the well is a low spot created years ago by the county when they installed two large drain pipes supposedly to carry off excess water -- instead the pipes were put in at the wrong angle, never connected, resulting in excess drain water from all three gas stations on the corner -- 76 being the closest -- being channeled onto my property. I've complained numerous times to the Water Quality Control Board, the county, etc. to no avail. Perhaps you could get this accomplished now.

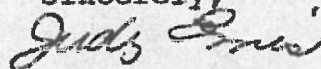
My next door neighbor, the Callisons, told me their "dirt" tested contaminated from the 76 station. Because of this, they were forced to sell their property at a considerably lowered price. I requested my dirt also be tested, but was denied.

At this time, I again request the two pipes be straightened out and connected properly to take the excess runoff water to the sewer, not channeled into my back field -- and my dirt be tested for contaminates.

Thank you in advance for helping me with this most unfortunate problem.

This ongoing problem, I believe, severely lowers the value of my property and will make it difficult to sell.

Sincerely,



Judy Emis

c: John Borba, Attorney at Law