

DTSC WORK NOTICE

Department of Toxic Substances Control – Our mission is to protect the people, communities, and environment of California from harmful chemicals by cleaning up contaminated sites, enforcing hazardous waste laws, and compelling the development of safer products.

Soil Sampling for Next Steps in the Cleanup Former PureGro Property, 1025 River Drive, Brawley, California

What is the purpose for soil sampling?

- Targeted on-site soil sampling is needed to complete engineering design and confirm the amount of soil to be excavated when cleanup activities resume, which is anticipated to be later this year.

How will the soil sampling be done?

- Technicians will use hand augers to dig into the soil and collect samples from the four locations already identified by DTSC.
- The samples will be analyzed in a DTSC-approved laboratory.
- Based on results, additional samples may be collected.

When will work activities occur?

- Week of April 5 – Collection of initial soil samples.
- April to May – Additional soil sampling, if needed.
- Each sampling event is one or two days for a few hours each day.

What safety measures will be in place?

- All work will follow requirements in the site's Health and Safety Plan, including compliance with state and local COVID-19 protocols.
- No heavy equipment will be used. Two technicians and a surveyor will arrive in small trucks and conduct the sampling by hand.
- After stockpile removal, dust control material was again applied to the entire property. It will remain in place during sampling work and the remaining steps of the cleanup.



A technician uses a hand auger to dig down into the soil to collect a sample.

For the latest updates and more information, please visit:

- DTSC's website: <https://dtsc.ca.gov/smrp-projects/puregro-company/>
- Chevron's website: <http://www.puregrobrawley.com/>
- EnviroStor: https://www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov/public/profile_report.asp?global_id=13070097
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