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**Public Notice:
Proposed Environmental Case Closure**

**W.H. Breshears, Sonora Facility (T10000011985)
13079 Sanguinetti Road, Sonora, CA 95379**

W.H. Breshears, Inc. (Breshears) has cleaned up a petroleum release associated with its aboveground tank (AST) system at the W.H. Breshears, Sonora Facility, located at 13079 Sanguinetti Road in Sonora, California (Site). The Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board (Central Valley Water Board) intends to close the associated environmental case and is providing you an opportunity to comment on that proposed closure.

Public Comment Period

23 JULY 2024 through 21 SEPTEMBER 2024

Case Summary

The Site is currently an active fueling facility, which utilizes an AST system to store petroleum fuel. In April 2018, facility personnel discovered a leak originating from a subsurface gasoline fill boot during a routine inspection of the Site's fueling rack. In response, Breshears repaired the fill boot to stop the release and retained WHF, Inc. (WHF) to perform investigation and cleanup activities at the Site.

From May 2018 through September 2023, WHF drilled 21 soil borings to assess petroleum hydrocarbon impacts in the subsurface. Groundwater was not encountered during those investigations. WHF began operating a soil-vapor extraction (SVE) system in January 2020 to extract residual petroleum hydrocarbons from beneath the Site. Based on decreasing petroleum extraction rates, WHF ceased operation of the Site's SVE system in May 2023.

On 23 November 2023, WHF submitted the *Report of Findings for Confirmation Soil Samples* on behalf of Breshears, which presents the results of recent soil sampling activities, intended to assess current concentrations of petroleum hydrocarbons in shallow soil beneath the Site, and requests regulatory closure of the Site. Central Valley Water Board staff reviewed that request and, based on the data and information therein, concurs with WHF's request for closure. The Central Valley Water Board is issuing this notice to the owners and occupants of properties near the W.H. Breshears, Sonora Facility site, and other potentially interested parties. The comment period is **60 days**. Central Valley Water Board staff will consider comments when evaluating the case for closure.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

You can obtain additional information for the Site on the State Water Resources Control Board's GeoTracker website at <http://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/?gid=T10000011985>.

If you have any comments or questions about this Public Notice or the environmental cleanup activities at this Site, please contact KhristinaRae Leyba with the Central Valley Water Board at (916) 464-4701 or via email at khristina.leyba@waterboards.ca.gov.

Notice to the Hearing Impaired

TDD users can obtain information about the Site by using the California State Relay Service (800) 735-2929 to reach the Public Participation Specialist. Ask them to contact the Central Valley Water Board at (916) 464-3291 regarding the Public Notice for the proposed UST closure of W.H. Breshears, Sonora Facility.

Figure 1
Site Vicinity Map



Source: Google Maps