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## Central Valley Regional Water Quality Control Board

### **PUBLIC NOTICE: PROPOSED UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK CASE CLOSURE**

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:** 26 August 2024 through 26 October 2024

#### **SAN LUIS RESERVOIR S.R.A. (T0604700256), CASE# 24212, 31426 GONZAGA ROAD, GUSTINE, MERCED COUNTY**

The underground storage tank (tanks) case is located at 31426 Gonzaga Road in Gustine, California (Site). The owner has investigated and cleaned up fuel products from tanks and vehicle servicing. The Central Valley Water Board staff is providing you an opportunity to comment regarding the proposed tanks cleanup case closure.

In 1996, two tanks (one 1,500-gallon gasoline and one 1,000-gallon diesel) were removed from the Site. Leaking fuel product contaminated both soil and groundwater. In 2003, a waste oil tank was removed from the property. Since 1996, the owner cleaned up (or investigated the area of) the former tanks and vehicle servicing area. In 2008, the owner operated an active remediation system that removed about 9,082 pounds, or 1,419 gallons, of fuel products from the soil. From 1999 through 2012, fuel products were observed in groundwater wells. The fuel was physically removed by a skimmer pump and by absorbent socks. The owner has removed about 106 gallons of fuel products from groundwater.

Some petroleum remains in soil and groundwater. In May 2024, ENGEO (the owner's environmental consultant) conducted an evaluation to determine if remaining fuel product contamination presented a risk to current or future land use. ENGEO stated that the remaining fuel products should not have a significant impact to human health or to the environment and requests the Central Valley Water Board to close the case. Based on available data, the Central Valley Water Board staff agrees with ENGEO that the case is a low risk and is eligible for closure. The attached figure shows the property location.

The Central Valley Water Board staff is issuing this notice to you and providing a 60-day public comment period to the owners and occupants of all properties near the San Luis Reservoir S.R.A. headquarters building and other interested parties. Central Valley Water Board staff will consider comments received when evaluating the case closure.

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

You can obtain additional information on the [State Water Resources Control Board's GeoTracker website](https://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/) (<https://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/>). Please contact Marilyn Petruescu with the Central Valley Water Board if you have any comments or questions about this Public Notice or about the environmental cleanup activities at San Luis Reservoir S.R.A.:

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## 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 cleanup case closure of San Luis Reservoir S.R.A..

**Figure 1**

Approximate Site boundary shown in red. Source: *Google Maps*

