

**PUBLIC NOTICE  
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PRELIMINARY ENVIRONMENTAL  
ASSESSMENT REPORT**

The Sequoia Union High School District has prepared a Phase I Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) and Soil Quality Evaluation Report, and Supplemental Site Investigation (SSI) Report that will serve as a Preliminary Environmental Assessment (PEA) equivalent document (Reports) in accordance with Education Code section 1.7213.1, subdivision (a)(4)(B). The School District has submitted the Reports to the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) for review and has chosen to make the Reports available for public review and comment pursuant to Education Code section 17213.1, subdivision (a)(6)(A).

**Project Designation:**

Menlo-Atherton High School New Food Service/Restroom and STEM Buildings Project  
555 Middlefield Road  
Atherton, California

**Project location:**

The project site is located in the central area of the Menlo-Atherton High School Campus at 555 Middlefield Road in Atherton, California. The site is owned by the Sequoia Union High School District (District). The District intends to demolish the existing improvements within the proposed development areas prior to constructing a new restroom/food service building, a new lab building, and a new tennis court. The new restroom/food service building and new lab building will have footprints of 5,030 and 6,240 square feet respectively and are expected to be of steel and wood framed construction.

**Description of Assessment:**

Soil sampling performed at the site did not reveal concentrations of lead, organochlorine pesticides (OCP), or polychlorinated biphenyls that exceed the unrestricted land use environmental screening criteria used by DTSC except in one soil sample. OCP compound chlordane was detected in the sample above its environmental screening criteria; however, follow-up sampling at the same location did not detect OCPs above laboratory reporting limits. Based on the data, and results of the human health risk screening evaluation, the site does not pose a significant risk to human health and the environment and appears suitable to accommodate the District's school development plans. The SSI Report recommends DTSC consider a "No Further Action" determination for the site.

**The Reports and Supporting Documents are Available for Review at:**

Sequoia Union High School District, 480 James Ave, Redwood City, California 94062

**Public Comment Period:**

A public comment period for the Reports begins on April 1, 2017 through May 1, 2017. Written comments on the Reports will be accepted during this public comment period. Comments should be directed to: Mr. Matthew Zito, Sequoia Union High School District, 480 James Ave, Redwood City, California 94062, 650-369-1411, ma-pea@seq.org.

**School Board Meeting:**

The Project will be included on the agenda for the Sequoia Union High School District board meeting on May 10, 2017.

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