Hello Lupe,

Thank you for attending the public meeting we had in Oxnard on March the 11th. The only health risks, as stated in the Public Health Assessment we completed in the Halaco Site, is to those that perform activities that raise a lot of dust, such as dirt bike riding, in the Nature Conservancy Land. There was a health risk to dirt bike riders who rode on the Halaco Pile when it was uncovered, but presently there is no risk because it is covered.

Please let me know if this answered your questions and if I not I can further clarify.

Best regards,

Nancy Palate

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From: Palate, Nancy (CDPH-EHIB)
Sent: Friday, February 27, 2009 5:00 PM
Subject: Upcoming Halaco Superfund Community Meeting

Greetings,

The California Department of Health (CDPH), in cooperation with the federal Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry, has completed an evaluation of the contamination at the site of the Halaco Engineering Company, and of its potential effects on the health of the surrounding communities. The evaluation is presented in a report called a Public Health Assessment (PHA).

We invite you to attend a public availability meeting hosted by CDPH and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA). The CDPH will present the findings of the public health assessment. The USEPA will provide an update on the cleanup efforts currently underway.

We anticipate that the public health assessment will be available on our web site (www.ehib.org) on March 10th. There will be a public comment period for the community and stakeholders to address any issues and provide comments on the public health assessment. We anticipate that the public comment
period will run from March 10th to April 10th.

The meeting will take place on Wednesday, March 11, 2009 in the South Oxnard’s Public Library from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. A flyer announcing the meeting is being sent to addresses located within 1.25 miles of the site and to USEPA’s list of interested parties.

Please feel free to share this information with the rest of your agency/organization and anyone who may be interested in attending the meeting.

Please contact us if you have any questions or comments about this meeting or our role at this site.

Best regards,

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"A good plan vigorously executed right now is far better than a perfect plan executed next week."

- General George Patton

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