

CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH HAZARD ASSESSMENT

Notice to Interested Parties

November 7, 2003

Announcement of a Public Comment Period

**Public Comments on the Final Draft Guidance for Assessing Exposures and Health Risks
at Existing and Proposed School Sites**

The Office of Environmental Health Hazard Assessment (OEHHA) of the California Environmental Protection Agency is making available for review and comment the Final Draft Report "GUIDANCE FOR SCHOOL SITE RISK ASSESSMENT PURSUANT TO HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE SECTION 901(f): GUIDANCE FOR ASSESSING EXPOSURES AND HEALTH RISKS AT EXISTING AND PROPOSED SCHOOL SITES." Health and Safety Code Section 901(f) requires OEHHA to develop and publish a guidance document for use by the Department of Toxic Substances Control and other state and local environmental and public health agencies to assess exposures and health risks at existing and proposed school sites. It specifically requires that the guidance include consideration of child-specific routes of exposure unique to the school environment, in addition to those routes in existing exposure models. The final draft report will be posted on the OEHHA Web site (www.oehha.ca.gov) on November 7, 2003.

OEHHA is following the requirements set forth in Health and Safety Code Section 57003 for receiving public input. This public review and comment period follows an earlier public workshop and comment period on this document. Previous responses to comments received are incorporated in this final draft report. OEHHA requests comments on this final draft report be delivered to OEHHA by 5:00 p.m. December 8, 2003. Comments received by that date will be considered during preparation of the final version of the guidance document. The responses to significant comments from the public will be available on the OEHHA Web site upon publication of the final guidance document.

If you would like to receive further information on this announcement or have questions, please contact our office at (916) 324-2829 or the address below. Written requests or comments should be addressed to:

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