

### **Irvine Unified School District**

## Special Board Meeting Portola High School Confirmational Sampling

March 22, 2016

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Portola High School Progress Video





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### **Public Meeting**

- Department of Toxic Substances Control
  - o Dot Lofstrom PG, Division Chief & Acting Deputy Director
    - Background
    - Purpose







#### Definition

- CDE: California Department of Education
- DTSC: Department of Toxic Substances Control
- PEA: Preliminary Environmental Assessment
- SG: Soil Gas Sampling
- SSI: Supplemental Site Investigation
- VOC: Volatile Organic Compound

# \*\*Environmental Approval

#### **Environmental Assessment Timeline**

- Dec. 19, 2012: Phase1 Report
  Review of Site History and Base Closure Activities
- Sep. 3, 2013: Scoping Meeting
  - o Attended by:
    - DTSC Office of Military Facilities
    - DTSC Schools Program
    - Consultants involved in Base closure and remediation
    - Irvine USD Personnel
  - o Developed sampling plan based on site history
- Dec. 4, 2013: Draft PEA Workplan Approval
  - PEA Workplan approved to proceed with site investigation
- Apr. 4, 2014: DTSC Approval of PEA
  - No further assessment needed



### Portola High School Site

- Former Fuel Lines
- Active Storm Drain Line
- Agricultural Use
- Flight Path
- Soil Stockpiles

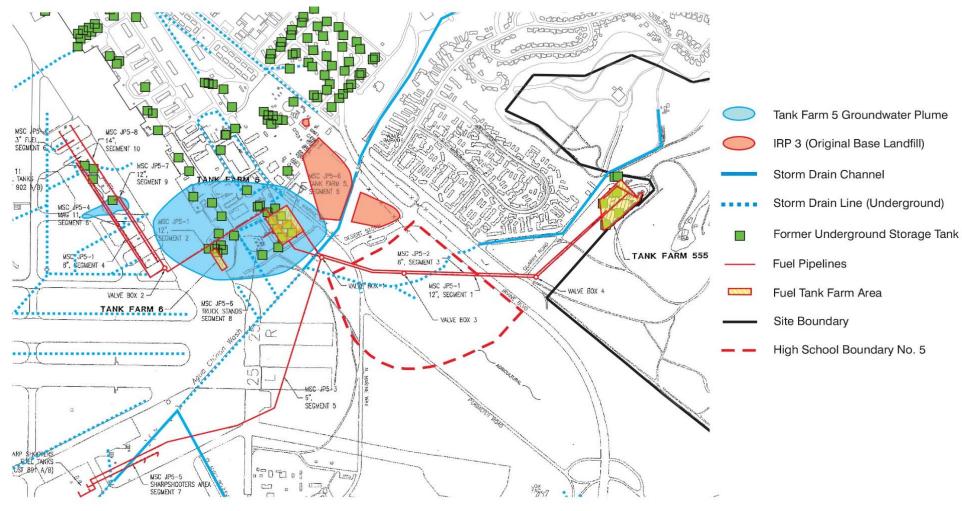


### Adjacent to Portola High School Site

- Capped Landfill
- Former Fuel Lines
- Former Underground Storage Tanks
- Active Storm Drain Lines
- Groundwater Plume



# Phase 1 Report



Note: Groundwater plume reflects conditions in 2003.

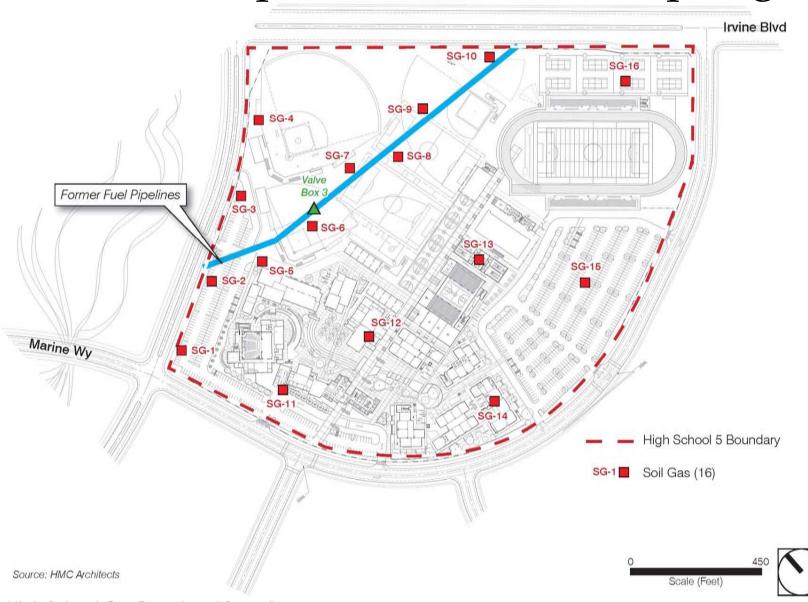
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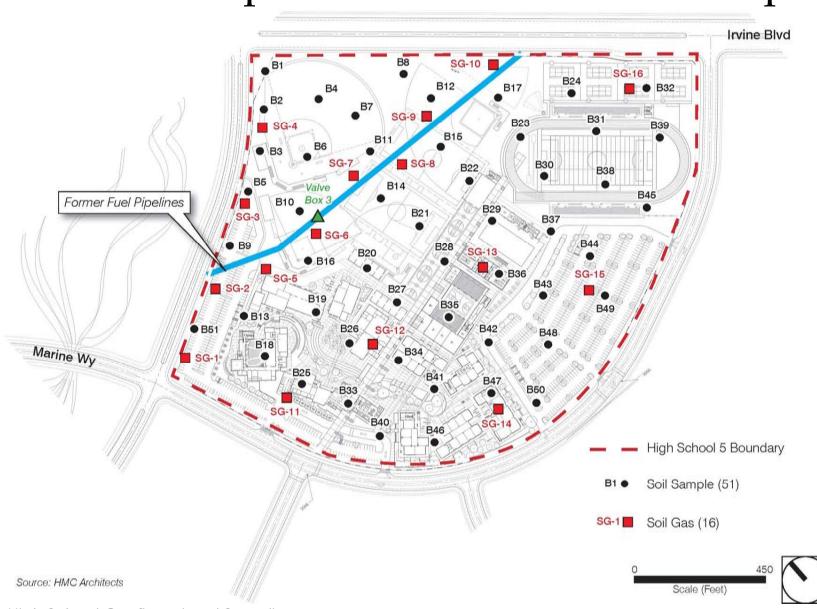


# PEA Workplan - Soil Gas Sampling





# PEA Workplan - Soil Gas & Soil Sampling





### PEA Conclusions and Findings

- Insignificant levels of Eight (8) VOCs were detected in Soil Gas sampling
- Human health risk assessment indicated that there was not a significant risk to human health under an unrestricted residential land use scenario
- PEA concluded that no further assessment was needed and DTSC concurred in April 2014



### Approval of Initial 40 Acres

- April 15, 2014: CDE Site Approval
- May 20, 2014: Irvine USD officially acquired site from Heritage Fields El Toro, LLC
- July 14, 2014: Portola High School Construction Commenced

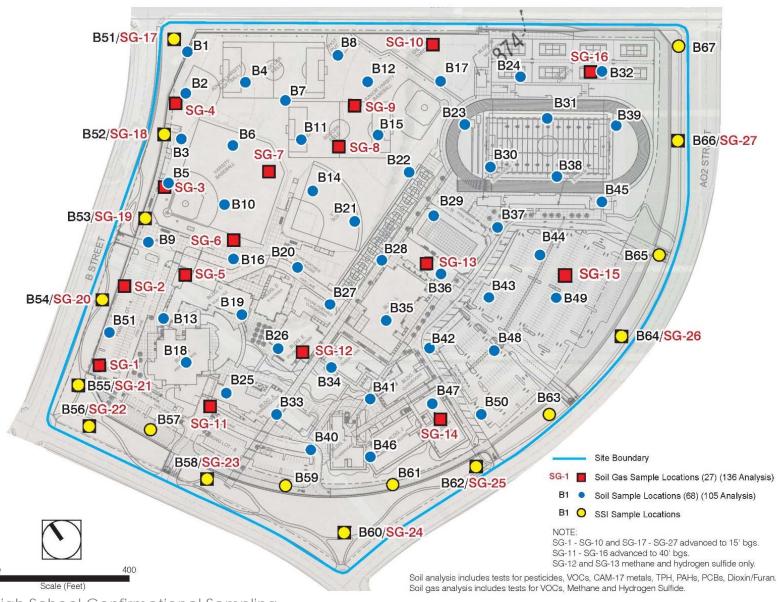


### Approval of Additional 3.53 Acres

- July 22, 2014: Supplemental Site Investigation (SSI) conducted and submitted to DTSC
- July 29, 2014: DTSC Approval of SSI
- Oct. 24, 2014: CDE Site Approval
- Dec. 23, 2014: Irvine USD officially acquired additional acres from Heritage Fields El Toro, LLC



# Y SSI Soil Gas & Soil Sampling





### SSI Conclusion and Findings

- Insignificant levels of Ten (10) VOCs were detected in Soil Gas sampling
- Human health risk assessment indicated that there was not a significant risk to human health under an unrestricted residential land use scenario
- SSI concluded that no further assessment was needed and DTSC concurred in July 2014



# Comprehensive Sampling of Site

### Sampling Activities

- PEA & SSI Environmental Assessment
  - 190 Soil Gas and Soil Samples
  - o 228 Analyses Performed
- Confirmational Sampling (March May 2016)
  - 16 Soil Gas and 16 Soil Samples



#### November 2014: Storm Drain Relocation

- Nov. 14, 2014: Nonhazardous stained soil found during storm drain excavation adjacent to school site
- Nov. 14, 2014: DTSC notified
- Nov. 17, 2014: Nonhazardous stained soil extended approximately 8 feet onto school site and approximately 16 to 20 feet below ground surface
- Nov. 2014 to Jan. 2015: Although nonhazardous stained soil did not pose a health risk and was not required to be removed, as a precaution, the stained soil was removed from site
- Apr. 28, 2015: DTSC concurred with recommendation that no further assessment or testing is recommended



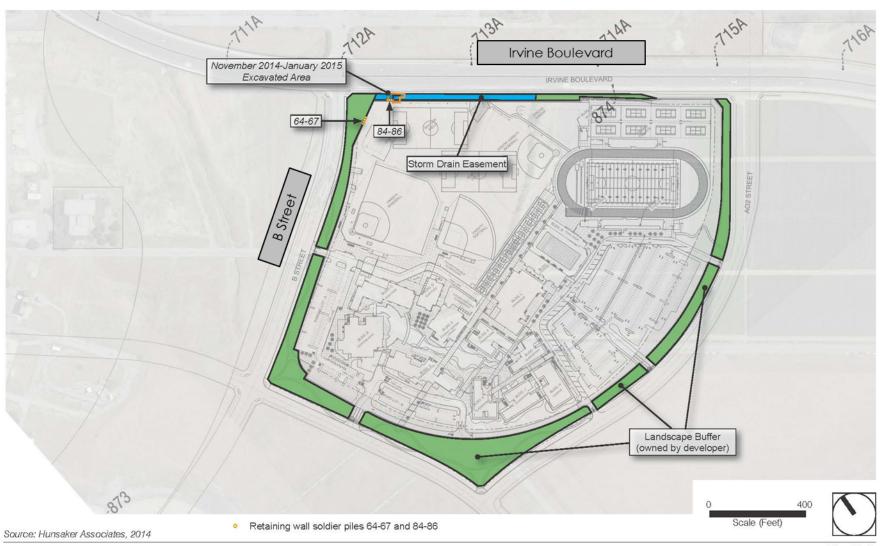
#### October 2015: Retaining Wall Soldier Piles

- Oct. 30, 2015: Nonhazardous stained soil found during auguring of soldier piles 64-67 (4 locations)
- Oct. 30, 2015: DTSC notified
- Nov. 2, 2015: Nonhazardous stained soil found during auguring of soldier piles 83-85 (3 locations)
- Dec. 29, 2015: Although nonhazardous stained soil did not pose a health risk and was not required to be removed, as a precaution, the stained soil was removed from site

Nonhazardous stained soil found in Seven (7) of 219 augured soldier piles



Figure 3 - Location of Storm Drain Easement





#### Nonhazardous Stained Soil

- All stained soil was excavated and disposed of as nonhazardous soil
- Confirmation samples collected found stained soil was similar to what was found in storm drain installation
- Human health risk assessment indicated that there was not a significant risk to human health under an unrestricted residential land use scenario



#### DTSC Letter Dated Mach 2, 2016

- Authored by Barbara Lee
- Directing Irvine USD
  - o Submit workplan for additional subsurface sampling
  - Proposed sampling activities should be discussed with DTSC, the public and other interested stakeholders, prior to the formal submittal of the workplan to the Department

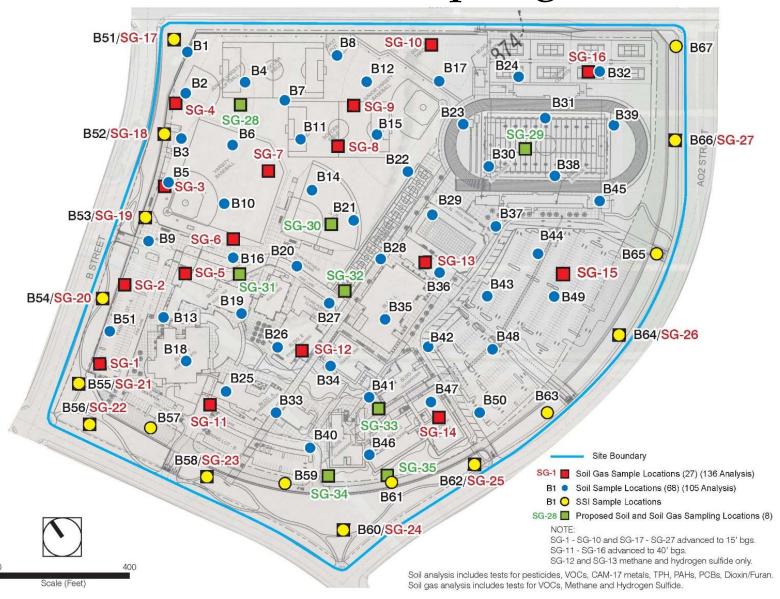


### Portola High School Visit - March 8, 2016

- Representatives from DTSC met with Irvine USD staff at the Portola High School site to identify potential confirmational sampling locations
- Eight (8) confirmational sampling locations were jointly identified
- Mutual Goal:
  - Identify additional confirmational sampling locations to reaffirm the environmental safety of the Portola High School site
  - Maintain construction schedule



# Confirmational Sampling





# Confirmational Sampling Locations



# **Remaining Schedule**

Mar. 11, 2016: Draft Workplan submitted to

DTSC

- Mar. 22, 2016: Public Meeting
- Mar. 23, 2016: Irvine USD submits final Workplan
- Mar. 29, 2016: Sampling begins onsite
- Apr. 8, 2016: Sampling results to DTSC
- Apr. 22, 2016: IUSD submits Comprehensive Report

to DTSC

- May 6, 2016: DTSC provides response
- Aug. 26, 2016: First day of school for Portola High School Students



# Thank You