

## **Community Meeting**

# Science of Naturally Occurring Asbestos

## Wednesday and Thursday, August 18 and 19, 2004, 5:30 pm (two evenings, same agenda)

#### Folsom Community Center, 52 Natoma Street, Folsom

U.S. EPA plans to hold community meetings on August 18 and 19 to share information on the scientific basis for our work on assessing the potential for exposure to naturally occurring asbestos in El Dorado Hills. Both meetings will be in the Folsom Community Center at 52 Natoma Street in central Folsom.

U.S. EPA has invited experts from state and federal agencies to provide information on the current state of the science of asbestos including sampling and analysis methods, health effects and epidemiological data, and risk assessment. Local government and stakeholder representatives are also invited to speak. The science seminar will consist of a series of short presentations with discussion periods following each presentation and will last for approximately five hours. To accommodate everyone who is interested, U.S. EPA will hold meetings with identical agendas on both Wednesday, August 18, and Thursday, August 19, 2004, beginning at 5:30 pm on both days.

United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region 9 75 Hawthorne Street (SFD-3) San Francisco, CA 94105 Attn: Don Hodge (EDH0408)

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### **Agenda: Asbestos Science Seminar**

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Welcome: Daniel Meer, Chief, Emergency Response, Planning and Assessment Branch, Superfund Division, U.S. EPA Region 9

California geology and asbestos: John Clinkenbeard, Ph.D., CGS

Aerial remote sensing for asbestos: Gregg Swayze, Ph.D., USGS

Monitoring of asbestos exposure: Chris Weis, Ph.D., U.S. EPA/NEIC

Health effects of asbestos exposure: Jill Dyken, Ph.D., ATSDR

Current and future U.S. EPA activities: Richard Troast, U.S. EPA HQ

Additional presentations from representatives of state and local government and stakeholder groups

#### Discussion following each presentation

#### For more information

Assessment: Jere Johnson, U.S. EPA Site Assessment Manager, (415) 972-3094

Public participation: Don Hodge, U.S. EPA Community Involvement Coordinator, (415) 972-3240

Media inquiries: Mark Merchant, U.S. EPA Public Affairs Specialist, (415) 947-4297 Health effects: Jill Dyken, ATSDR Site Lead and Health Assessor, (404) 498-0428

USEPA toll-free Community Involvement line: 800-231-3075; leave a message for Don Hodge

ATSDR toll-free number: 888-422-8737 and ask for Youlanda Outin, extension 1748

U.S. EPA Region 9 Naturally Occurring Asbestos web page: http://www.epa.gov/region09/toxic/noa

ATSDR Asbestos web page: <a href="http://www.atsdr.cdc.gov/asbestos/">http://www.atsdr.cdc.gov/asbestos/</a>