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Jordan Downs Redevelopment Project One Step Closer to Breaking Ground, DTSC Approves Interim Remediation Plan

Los Angeles – The Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles (HACLA) today announced that The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) has approved the agency’s Interim Remedial Action Plan (IRAP) for 9901 Alameda as part of the overall Jordan Downs public housing redevelopment Project. This latest development paves the way for a 2014 clean-up of the previous Factory site adjacent to Jordan Downs.

“We are pleased with this latest development that will at last allow us to clean-up this industrial site,” said Douglas Guthrie, President and CEO of HACLA. “This agency approached the DTSC three years ago requesting approval of a clean-up process. HACLA’s commitment to remediate the site and convert it from its current condition into a productive resource for the community remains unchanged.”

The 21-acre site adjacent to Jordan Downs had been used for industrial purposes for many decades prior to HACLA’s decision to acquire it in 2008. HACLA’s initiative set the stage for clean-up of the land. HACLA voluntarily entered into an agreement with the DTSC to remediate the site. As such, the agency will follow the state standards and requirements dictated by DTSC to test, prepare and implement a remediation plan.

Furthermore, HACLA has offered to go beyond the terms of clean-up agreement with DTSC and test environmental conditions beyond the boundary of the Site. Soil-vapor testing for volatile organic compounds (VOCs) is planned for the northeast portion of the Jordan Downs community, first focusing on the residences east of Laurel Place. If necessary, the testing will proceed west of Laurel Place until the TCE vapors are delineated to the satisfaction of DTSC, our consultants, and HACLA.

In addition, a plan to conduct surface soil sampling and analysis for lead within the Jordan Downs community is being submitted to DTSC in the coming days. The initial focus of the sampling is the area of the Jordan Downs community immediately surrounding the site.



HACLA's master developer partner will procure qualified contractors and manage the implementation of the IRAP. It is anticipated that this work will initiate in October 2014 and take approximately 3 to 6 months to complete. This work will be monitored and ultimately approved by DTSC.

ABOUT HACLA

The Housing Authority of the City of Los Angeles (HACLA) is a state-chartered public agency. It provides the largest stock of affordable housing in Los Angeles and is one of the nation's leading public housing authorities. It is also one of the oldest, providing quality housing options and supportive services to the citizens of Los Angeles since 1938. HACLA's annual budget is more than \$ 1 billion.

