

ACCESSING ENVIRONMENTAL CASES USING GEOTRACKER

Historically, San Diego County, Department of Environmental Health (DEH) has provided a list of environmental cases (Case List) in San Diego County on the DEH website. The State Water Resources Control Board now provides real-time case information on all open and closed cases throughout California, including San Diego County. This database is called the GeoTracker data management system (GeoTracker). DEH will now rely exclusively on Geotracker to provide case information. GeoTracker can be searched to obtain a complete list of cases in San Diego County and also to find detailed information about these cases. Searches can also be completed for a specific area or property. The GeoTracker website is located at <http://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov>. Instructions and tips for searching GeoTracker are provided below:

Instructions to obtain a list of open and closed cases in San Diego County:

1. Locate the "REPORTS" section on the left hand side of the GeoTracker home page.
2. Click on "By County".
3. Click on "San Diego County".

This list can easily be exported to Excel by selecting the "EXPORT TO EXCEL" link at the top of the site list just above "CLEANUP STATUS". Please give this function several minutes to complete as this list is rather extensive. The exported file will provide enhanced searching options and allow you to view the entire list at once.

Instructions to obtain a list of open cases in San Diego County:

1. Locate the "TOOLS" section on the left hand side of the GeoTracker home page.
2. Click on "Advanced Search".
3. Under "SITE / FACILITY TYPE(S)", check the following boxes:
 - "Leaking Underground Storage Tank (LUST) Cleanup Sites"
 - "Other Water Board Cleanup Sites"
4. In the "CLEANUP STATUS" box, use the dropdown menu to select "All Open Cases".
5. In the "REGIONAL BOARD" box, use the dropdown menu to select "SAN DIEGO RWQCB (REGION 9) or COLORADO RIVER BASIN RWQCB (REGION 7)", for the most eastern portions of the County.

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Instructions to search for a specific area or site:

There are two ways to search for specific areas or sites on the GeoTracker website as follows:

1. By using the search box in the center of the GeoTracker home page that states "Enter an Address or City" under the heading "MAP LOCATION OF INTEREST".

Enter the address for the property in question. Follow the example format provided above the information entry box. This search displays a map of the address or city entered with the ability to identify the following:

- Leaking Underground Tank (LUST) Cleanup Sites
- Other Cleanup Sites
- Land Disposal Sites
- Military Sites
- Permitted Underground Storage Tank (UST) Facilities
- Monitoring Wells
- DTSC Cleanup Sites
- DTSC Haz Waste Permit

This is a Google Map with scroll, zoom, and alternate view functions. Clicking on the sites identified on the map will display the site name, address, case number, and type of case. Clicking on the site name, highlighted in blue, will load a separate web page with all information regarding the case. The type of cases to

display can be modified by checking the boxes to the left of the map under "LAYERS". A list of sites displayed on the map is available at the bottom of the page.

Note that the location of the case as shown on the map may be incorrect. The address of the site should be checked to ensure that it matches the location displayed on the map.

2. By using the "Advanced Search" option under the "TOOLS" section on the GeoTracker home page.

The following fields are available under "Advanced Search" which can narrow search criteria:

- CASE ID / GLOBAL ID: The DEH case number is the CASE ID.
- SITE / FACILITY NAME
- ADDRESS (OR PARTIAL ADDRESS): The search results for specific addresses in this field are dependent upon how the site address was entered into GeoTracker when the case was opened. For example, if the address associated with the case is "31577 HY 94", searching for "31577 HWY 94" will result in "NO PROJECTS FOUND WITH THOSE SEARCH PARAMETERS". For this reason it is advisable to search with the numerical portion of the address only with other pertinent site information such as "Regional Board" or "Cleanup Status" to narrow the search or use the "MAP LOCATION OF INTEREST" search box described above.
- CITY
- ZIP
- COUNTY
- SITE / FACILITY TYPE(S): Checking the boxes for "For Leaking Underground Storage Tank (LUST) Cleanup Sites" and for "Other Water Board Cleanup Sites" will narrow the search to environmental cases.
- CLEANUP STATUS: Allows searching for "Open" or "Closed" cases as well as the stage of the investigation.
- REGIONAL BOARD: San Diego County is part of "SAN DIEGO RWQCB (REGION 9)" or COLORADO RIVER BASIN RWQCB (REGION 7)" for the most eastern portions of the County.
- PARENT MILITARY BASE

For further assistance, please contact the SAM duty line at 858-505-6808.