

Brawley Health ACTION Environmental Study

This new study will engage residents to examine and take action to address environmental health concerns in the community next to the former PureGro facility in Brawley, CA.

April 2021

Background

Why are you doing this study?

- Residents have expressed concerns about possible exposures to chemicals from sources nearby the community, including the former PureGro facility.
- This study will engage residents to better understand their concerns and explore whether these sources may be resulting in community exposures.

Affiliation

Is this part of the PureGro clean up?

- No. This study isn't related to the clean up effort for PureGro. You can learn more about the clean up effort at: dtsc.ca.gov/smrp-projects/puregro-company
- This study, funded by the California Air Resources Board, may be an opportunity to focus on health and environmental concerns that are not addressed through the clean-up project.

Goals

How will this help our community?

- This study may help answer questions or address concerns that residents may have about their health or the environment.
- All study results will be shared with the community. Any concerning findings will also be shared with the proper agencies so they can address the problem. If results are not concerning, this may give the community peace of mind.

Participation

Is the community involved?

- Yes. The study will use multiple processes to ensure community leadership and participation in this project.
- The specific study activities will be decided based on recommendations from a community advisory group, a larger residents group, and Comite Civico del Valle, a longtime, Brawley-based community organization that is a partner on this study.

Activities & Timeline

What will the study do?

Planning (now)

Spring 2021 - Winter 2021

Determine study design by engaging the community, conducting background research, and interviewing residents.

Health Assessment

Winter 2021 - Summer 2022

Conduct health assessment to better understand community health status and concerns.

Environmental Sampling

Spring 2022 - Winter 2022

Conduct environmental sampling to better understand potential community exposures. This may include testing the soil, water, or air.

Community Actions

Winter 2022 - Fall 2023

Share final study results with the community. Engage community in developing and implementing an action plan.

Contact

How can I learn more?

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