



AMCO Chemical Superfund Site

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What's Happening in the Neighborhood

In August 2011, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) will be sampling groundwater wells at the AMCO Chemical Superfund Site. This is an annual groundwater monitoring event and groundwater samples will be collected from 41 existing wells. This will be essentially the same as the sampling performed last August. EPA will use the local business on 7th Street to provide double-bagged ice for sample shipment.

The primary noise generated from this activity is the movement of the sampling truck between wells and communications between field personnel. Nevertheless in order to minimize noise and nuisance, activities will be performed between 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM, Monday through Friday.

Well locations

Some wells are located within the sidewalk between 1436 to 1428 3rd Street and in the northern portion of 3rd Street in front of 1414 3rd Street. The wells on the

3rd Street sidewalk will require parking restriction when sampling is performed so that the sampling truck can be close. This will be for a 2 day period and can be coordinated with the residents. The other wells are located in South Prescott park, the large vacant lot, and parking lot adjacent to the AMCO property, the AMCO yard, and the Union Pacific property. A small, taped exclusion zone will be established around the monitoring wells when sampling.

Groundwater elevation measurements will be conducted on Thursday, August 4, with groundwater sampling beginning on Monday, August 8, 2011 and will continue for approximately 3 weeks. As EPA samples from least contaminated to most contaminated wells, initial sampling will be off-site and then moving towards the AMCO facility.

The Superfund Process at AMCO





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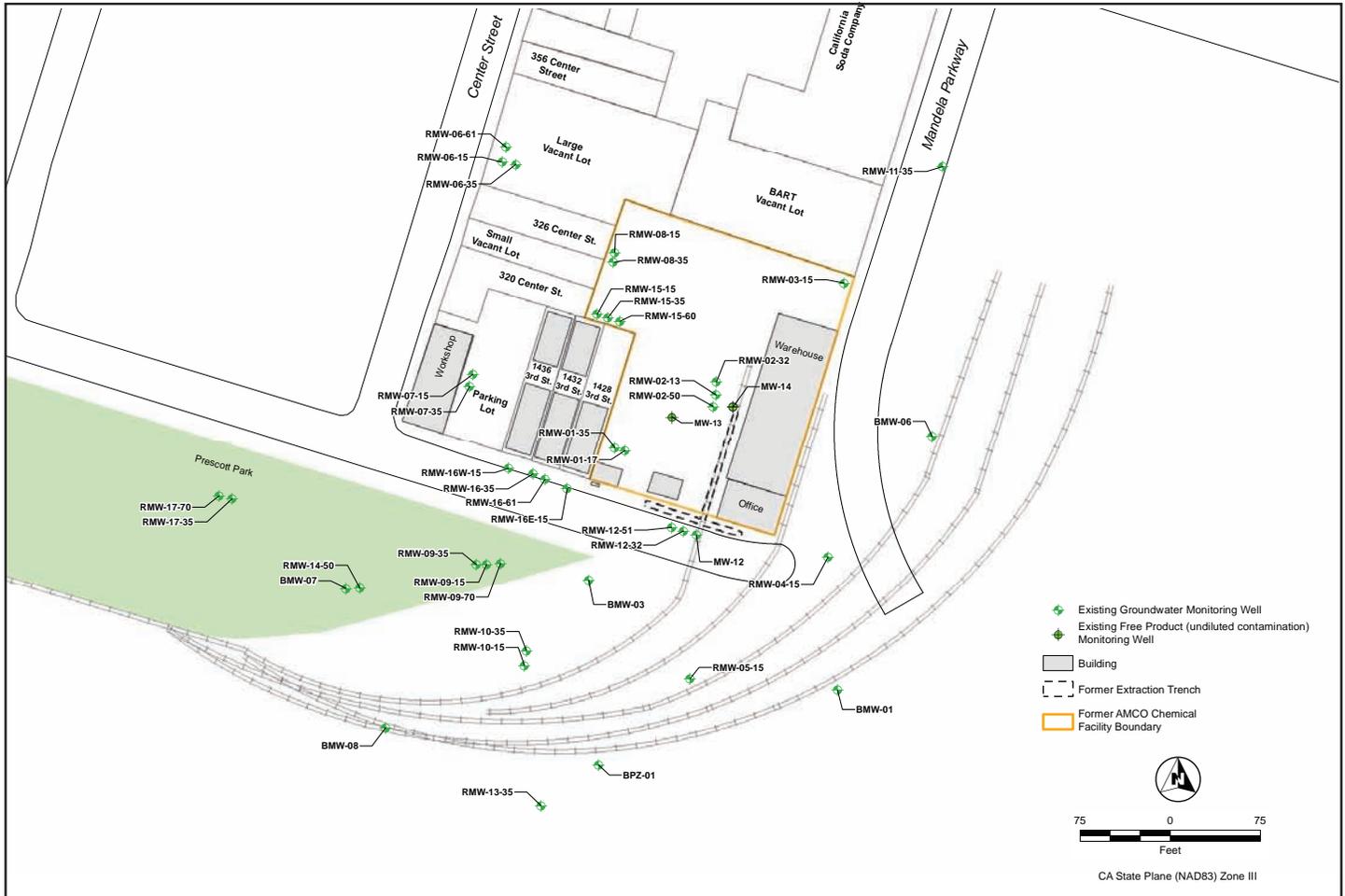


Figure 1: Map of groundwater sampling wells

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