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Free Environmental Due Diligence Search Tools

Don't wait until escrow to find that your property has issues --- Use Alta Environmental's Free Web-based Environmental Due Diligence Search Tools Guide!

You don't have to wait to start your due diligence period to start your due diligence process and identify potential environmental concerns. Information on environmental issues and contaminated properties throughout Southern California are readily available on regulatory website that are both free and easy to use. Alta Environmental created this free resource guide to help you better understand how to use these tools to plan your due diligence program and assessment options even before a property goes under contract.

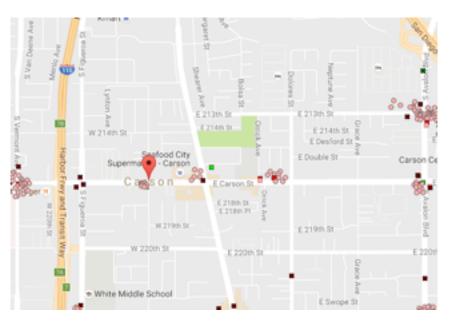
Use of these tools does not preclude the need for an environmental assessment to determine risks. However, it can give you an early indication of potential issues before you make an offer on a property and engage Alta as your consultant.



State of California GeoTracker

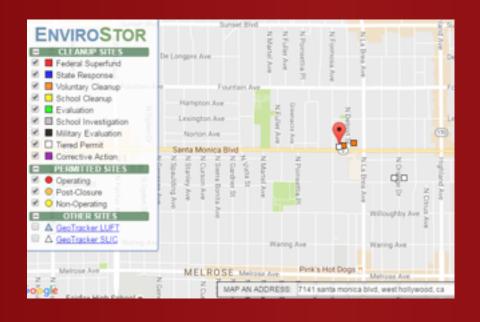
https://geotracker.waterboards.ca.gov/

The Geotracker webpage is a website maintained by the State of California Water Resources Control Board and can be used to search for contaminated properties that are currently being investigated and remediated or have historically been remediated and received case closure. This website is also a repository for various regulatory agency documents including current groundwater monitoring reports and No Further Action/Closure Letters.



EnviroStor

http://www.envirostor.dtsc.ca.gov/public/



Like the Geotracker website, Envirostor is a system maintained by the California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) which can be used to search for contaminated properties that are or have historically been under the jurisdiction of the DTSC. This website also identifies hazardous waste generation sites that fall under the jurisdiction of the DTSC.

United States Environmental Protection Agency Compliance History Online (ECHO)

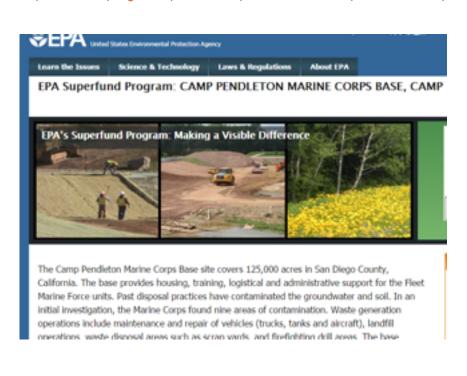
https://echo.epa.gov/

The ECHO website can be used to identify environmental compliance history for businesses located at or nearby your property. The ECHO website also publishes available air emission and storm water effluent data for specific properties.



United States Environmental Protection Agency Superfund: National Priorities List (NPL)

https://www.epa.gov/superfund/superfund-national-priorities-list-npl

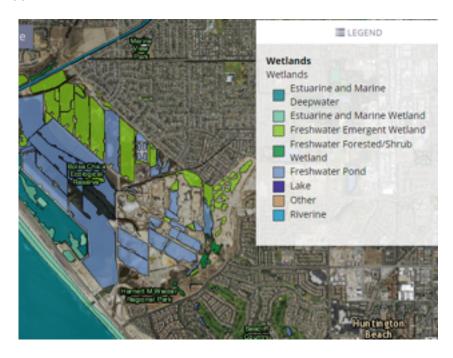


This website provides narrative information on large federally managed cleanup project (Superfund) sites. These sites are typically large multi-year and multi-million dollar cleanup operations that can affect large areas. Information published on this webpage includes historical cleanup summaries and information pertaining to current and planned cleanup activities. This website also identifies potential responsible parties (PRPs) for each NPL site. These lists can be searched to assess if current or past tenants of a property may be identified as a PRP.

National Wetlands Inventory Wetlands Mapper

https://www.fws.gov/wetlands/data/mapper.HTML

This website is maintained by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service and can be used to evaluate if a wetland is located on or near a property. The boundaries of the wetlands are not exact, but can be used to evaluate the potential for a wetland to be present.



DOGGR Well Finder (DOGGR)

http://www.conservation.ca.gov/dog/Pages/wellfinder.aspx

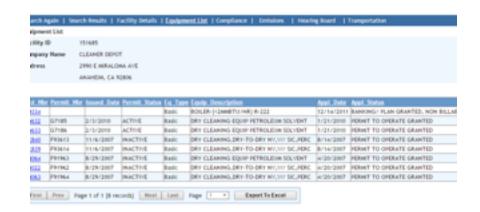


This website is maintained by the California Division of Oil, Gas, and Geothermal Resources. Not only can this well locate active and abandoned wells, but it can also be used to review production data, injection data, and well permit information.

South Coast Air Quality Management District Facility Information Detail (FIND)

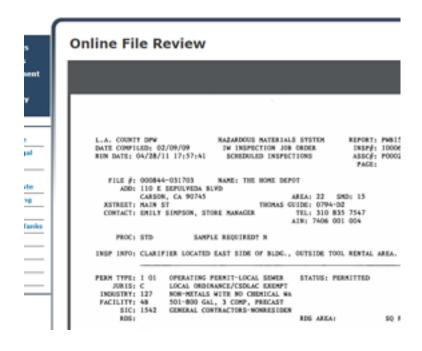
http://www.aqmd.gov/home/tools/public/find

The FIND system can be used to search for permit documentation for both historical and active facilities that are regulated by the South Coast Air Quality Management District. This tool can be used to search for information on fueling, dry cleaning, and painting businesses at properties.



Los Angeles County Public Works Department Online File Review

http://ladpw.org/epd/CleanLA/OpenFileReview.aspx



For properties in Los Angeles County that are subject to industrial waste, underground storage tank, and storm water permitting with the County Public Works Department, file documentation can now be searched and reviewed online. This database case also be searched to inquire if a property address has a file history unrelated to the current property tenant.

County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works Well Mapper

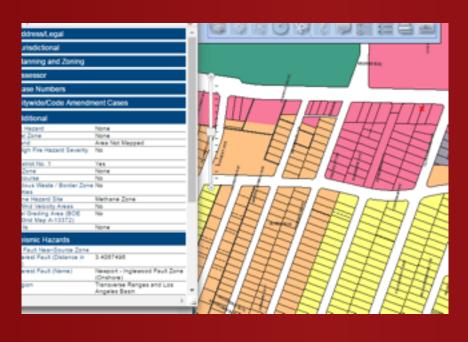
http://dpw.lacounty.gov/general/wells/

This website details groundwater data and well location data for wells maintained and monitored by the Los Angeles County Department of Public Works.



City of Los Angeles Zoning Information and Map Access System (ZIMAS)

http://zimas.lacity.org/



The ZIMAS system can be used for a variety of uses including determining ages of buildings, dimensions of properties and structures, and identification of site specific hazards such as designated methane hazard zones.

City of Los Angeles Department of Building and Safety Online Building Records

https://www.ladbs.org/services/check-status/online-building-records

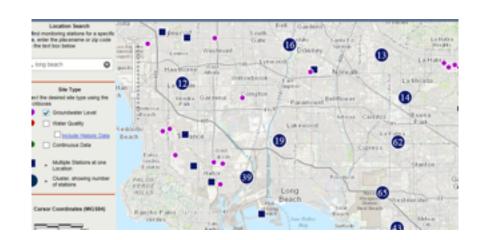


This website can be used to research building permits for properties located within the City of Los Angeles. In some instances, digital images of the actual permits are scanned and available for review.

California Department of Water Resources Water Data Library

http://www.water.ca.gov/waterdatalibrary/

This is another resource to identify water level and water quality data throughout California.



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