



Santa Monica Malibu Schools

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Dear Mr. Ruch and Ms. Dinerstein,

I received your letter of February 25, 2014, and I thank you for your input.

Environ and Additional Testing

I will provide your letter to Environ with direction that these concerns should inform their recommended work-plan.

At the March 6, 2014, meeting of the Board of Education, I will inform the Board that I am directing Environ and the Department of Toxic Substance Control (DTSC) to create a plan for gathering community input to help guide the testing recommendations for Malibu High, Juan Cabrillo Elementary School and our full school community, as appropriate. Environ will be asked to present all recommendations to the Board of Education in public meetings thus allowing the community to stay informed.

At this time the work-plan has not yet been created.

Action To Date and Corresponding Costs

We have indeed spent considerable resources with the sole purpose of answering questions raised by our employees, parents and the community. Our goal, as it has been from the outset, is to be assured that our schools are healthy.

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Again, I have forwarded your letter to Environ for the environmental experts' review. I ask that you help me work with Environ and the DTSC to gather the necessary input and help to answer questions, with science and qualified expertise, and take any necessary action to assure our community that our schools are healthy environments.

Sincerely,



Sandra Lyon
Superintendent

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