

# CERS / CERS Next GEN

Stanislaus County Hazardous Materials Division

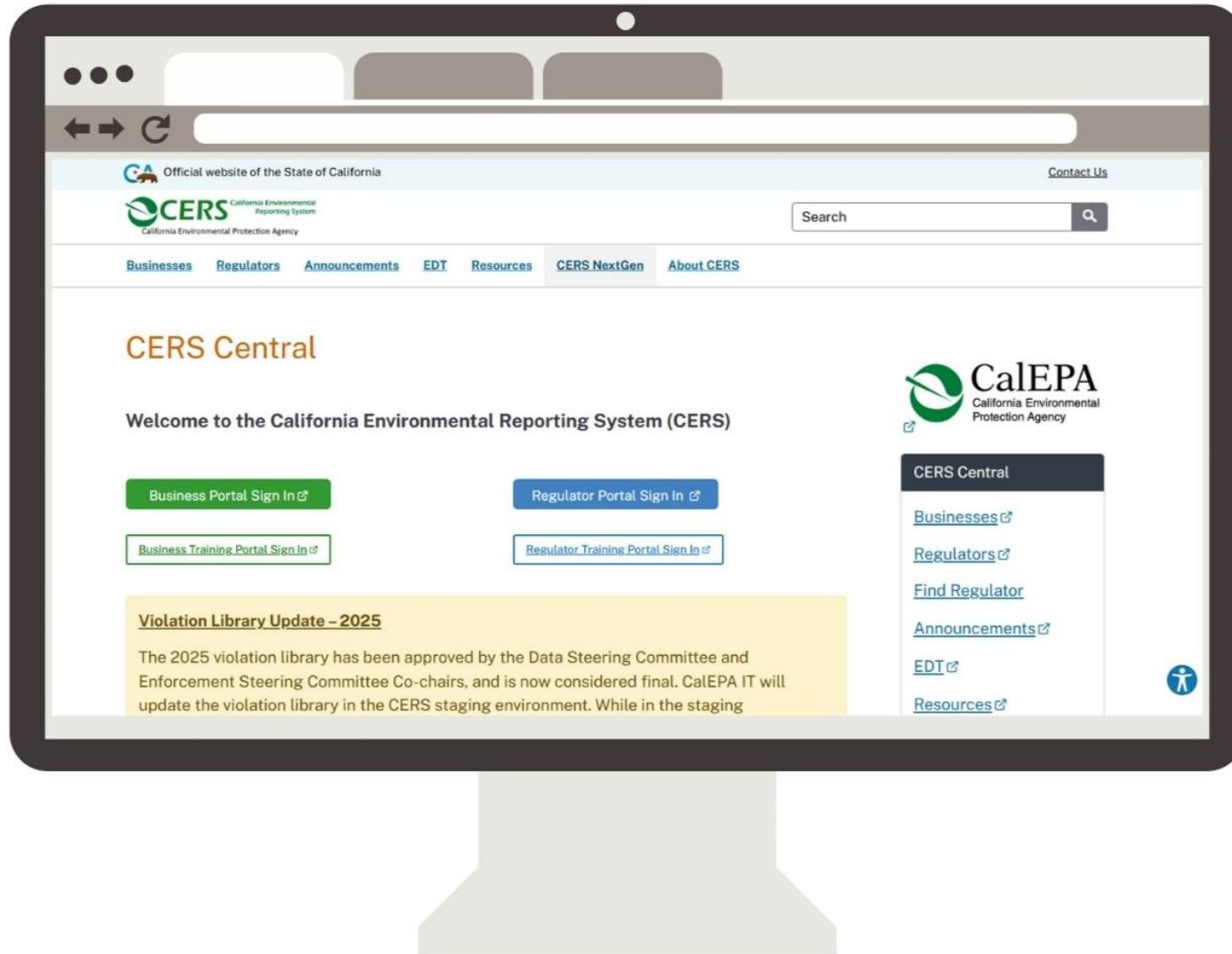
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# CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL REPORTING SYSTEM (CERS)



- ▶ CERS is California's web-based system for electronically reporting required Unified Program information between businesses, local agencies, and the U.S. EPA.

# CERS Summary

## ▶ Assembly Bill 2286

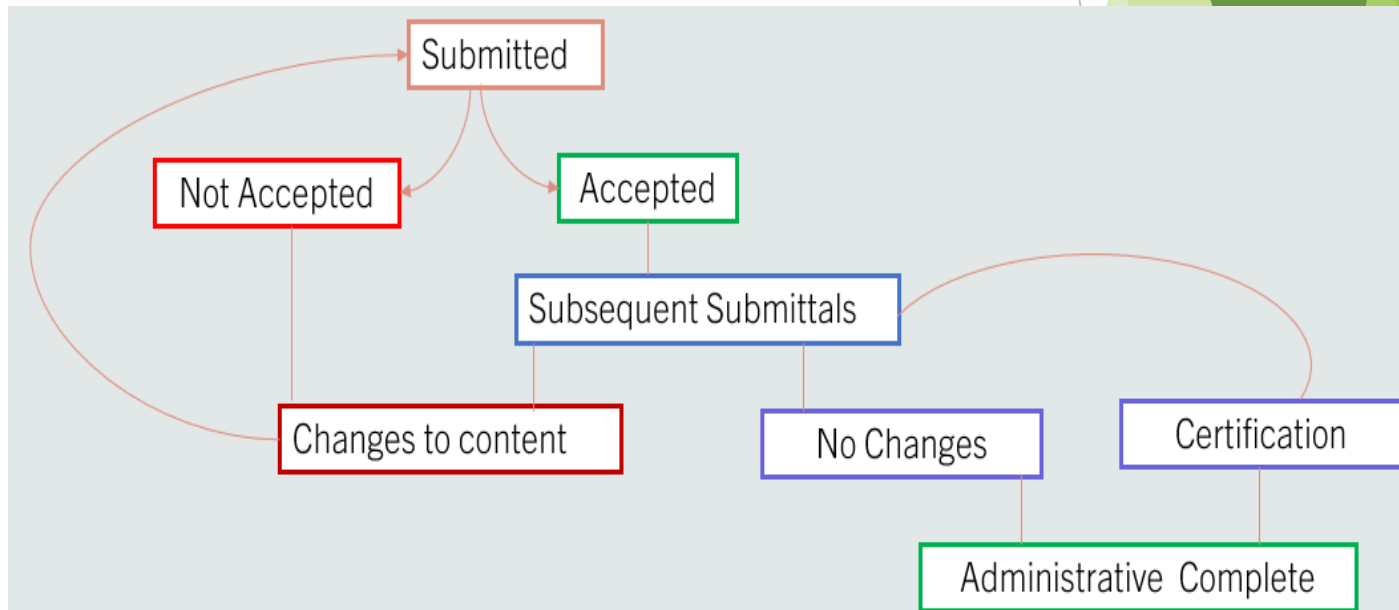
- ▶ Approved September 29, 2008

## ▶ Effective January 1, 2009

- ▶ All Unified Program-regulated businesses and local Unified Program Agencies (UPAs) are required to electronically report and submit mandatory Unified Program information through CERS or a local UPA portal.

## ▶ Hazardous material regulatory activities, including:

- ▶ Facility Information
- ▶ Hazardous Material Business Plans
- ▶ Site Maps
- ▶ Emergency Response Plan/Contingency
- ▶ Underground Storage Tanks
- ▶ Aboveground Storage Tanks
- ▶ Hazardous Waste Generation
- ▶ Inspections
- ▶ Compliance and Enforcement Actions



# Welcome

- ▶ If you have an account, login
- ▶ If you are new, create an account

The screenshot shows the CERS Business Sign-In page. At the top, a green header reads "CERS Business". Below it, a text box explains that CERS is a statewide, web-based system for hazardous materials data, with a link to "CERS Central". The main content area has two sections: "CERS Business Sign-In" and "New to CERS?". The "Sign-In" section contains a "Your Username" input field and a "Next" button, both highlighted with a red box. Below it is a link for "Forgot your Username or Password?". The "New to CERS?" section instructs users to create an account to start reporting, with a "Create New Account" button highlighted in red. Below this is a section for "Want to experiment with CERS?" with a "Go to CERS Business Training" button. At the bottom, there is a section for "Are you a CERS Regulator?" with links to the "CERS Regulator Portal" and "CERS Central". A footer at the very bottom contains version information and navigation links.

CERS Business

CERS is a statewide, web-based system to support businesses and Unified Program Agencies with electronically collecting, and managing hazardous materials-related data as mandated by the California Health and Safety Code. To learn more about CERS and the Unified Program, see [CERS Central](#).

### CERS Business Sign-In

Your Username  [Next](#)

[Forgot your Username or Password?](#)

### New to CERS?

To start reporting on your facility(s) in CERS, create a CERS account.

[Create New Account](#)

**Want to experiment with CERS?**  
Use the Business Training Portal to learn how to use CERS by creating and managing test data before starting your official facility reporting.

[Go to CERS Business Training](#)

**Are you a CERS Regulator?**  
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# Signing Up

- ▶ Fill out the required information
- ▶ Submit (Create My Account)
- ▶ Look for an activation link (24 hours)

**CERS user.**

- Can be from 5 to 16 characters in length.
- Can include letters and numbers; no spaces, punctuation or special characters.
- Must be different than your password.

Username 

  
Must be at least 5 characters.

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**Your Name and Email**

First Name	Last Name
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Email	Confirm Email
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

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**Your Password**


- Must be 8-16 characters.
- Must contain at least one uppercase character and one lowercase character.
- Must contain at least one number.

Password	Confirm Password
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

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**Password Protection Phrase**

To help protect your password, please enter a phrase of your choice. This will be displayed when you are prompted for your password. If you don't see your phrase, don't provide your password!

Your Phrase 

**Validate Captcha**

I'm not a robot



**I Agree to these Conditions of Use:**

- I agree I will not allow others to use my CERS Account and understand my Account could be suspended if I allow others to use it. I will protect my password and never share it with others, and if my account is compromised, I will contact CERS Technical Support: [cers@calepa.ca.gov](mailto:cers@calepa.ca.gov) immediately.
- I will only upload documents as required by CERS or my local regulator(s). Any document I upload will be as compact as possible, will not exceed 25MB in size, will be free from viruses or other malicious elements, and meet other requirements specified in the [CERS Document Upload Policy](#).
- I understand I should NOT use my web browser's "Back" button while using CERS--doing so may result in duplicate records or other problems.
- I understand that CERS is designed for standard-sized screens using relatively current web browsing software: Internet Explorer 8+ (without [Compatibility Mode](#)), FireFox 3.6+, current versions of Google Chrome or Safari 5+). I understand my browser must have [Javascript enabled](#), and that some CERS features may not work on older browsers, and CERS is not designed to be effectively used on smaller display devices (e.g., mobile phones, etc.).
- I understand viewing and printing some CERS reports requires relatively current PDF viewing software (Adobe Reader 8+).
- I understand CERS is generally available during days or evenings except as described [here](#).

Create My Account

Cancel

### Common Tasks



#### Start Facility Submittal or Certification

CERS will help walk you through the forms and documents required for your facility(s).



#### Add Facility

If you are new to CERS, or must add new facility(s), the Add Facility pages will ensure you get started correctly!



#### People/Users

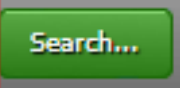
You can allow/manage other people in your business who need to view or edit your facility reporting.



#### Contact Your Local Regulator(s)

Find contact information for your facility's local regulator(s).

### Facilities



Facility Name	Address	Last Submittal	CERS ID
Rameriz Avocados	3800 Cornucopia Way Ste C, Modesto 95358		<a href="#">10190300</a>



### Action Required (None)

# It is time so submit! (by March 1<sup>st</sup>)

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# Business Activities

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**Site Identification**


Facility Name Rameriz Avocados	CERS ID 10190300	
Business Site Address 3800 Cornucopia Way Ste C Modesto, CA 95358 County: Stanislaus	EPA ID Number -	

**Hazardous Materials**

Does your facility have on site (for any purpose) at any one time, hazardous materials at or above 55 gallons for liquids, 500 pounds for solids, or 200 cubic feet for compressed gases (include liquids in ASTs and USTs); or is regulated under more restrictive local inventory reporting requirements (shown below if present); or the applicable Federal threshold quantity for an extremely hazardous substance specified in 40 CFR Part 355, Appendix A or B; or handle radiological materials in quantities for which an emergency plan is required pursuant to 10 CFR Parts 30, 40 or 70? 

Yes


**Underground Storage Tank(s) (UST)**

Does your facility own or operate underground storage tanks? 

No


**Hazardous Waste**

Does your Facility...


Does your facility generate Hazardous Waste? 

No

**If yes, an EPA Identification Number (EPA ID) is required.**

Does your facility treat hazardous waste on-site? 

No


Is your facility's treatment subject to financial assurance requirements (for Permit by Rule or Conditional Authorization)? 

No

Does your facility consolidate hazardous waste generated at a remote site? 

No

**If yes, an EPA Identification Number (EPA ID) is required.**

Does your facility need to report the closure/removal of a tank that was classified as hazardous waste and cleaned on-site? 

No

Does your facility generate in any single calendar month 1,000 kilograms (kg) (2,200 pounds) or more of RCRA (federally-regulated) hazardous waste, or generate in any single calendar month greater than 1 kg (2.2 pounds) of RCRA acute hazardous waste; or generate more than 100 kg (220 pounds) of spill cleanup materials contaminated with RCRA acute hazardous waste. Do not check this if you only generate non-RCRA waste. 

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► Mark “yes” to open program element

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# Business Owner/Operator Information

Save Cancel

**Site Address**

Ramirez Avocados  
3800 Cornucopia Way Ste C  
Modesto, CA 95358

**Identification**

Operator Name	Beginning Date	Ending Date
Ramirez Avocados	1/31/2026	1/30/2027
Operator Phone	Business Phone	Business Fax
209-525-6772	209-525-6772	
Dun & Bradstreet	SIC Code	Primary NAICS

▶ Facility Address

**Facility/Site Mailing Address**

Mailing Address  
3800 Cornucopia Way

City State ZIP/Postal Code  
Modesto CA 95358

▶ Owner Information

**Owner**

First & Last Name Phone  
Ali Arshad 209-525-6700

Mailing Address  
3800 Cornucopia Way

City State ZIP/Postal Code  
Modesto CA 95358

Country  
United States

**Primary Emergency Contact**

First & Last Name  
Job Ramirez

Title  
CEO

Business Phone 24-Hour Phone Pager Number  
209-525-6700 209-525-6700

▶ Primary Contact with 24-hour phone number

**Secondary Emergency Contact**

Name  
Max Wagner

Title  
COO

Business Phone 24-Hour Phone Pager Number  
(209)525-6700 (209)525-6700

▶ Secondary Contact with 24-hour phone number

# Business Owner/Operator Information

▶ Billing Contact

**Billing Contact** [Copy address...](#)

First & Last Name	Phone	
Ramirez Avocados Co.	209-525-6700	
Email		
Ramirez@fineavos.com		
Mailing Address		
3800 Cornucopia Way		
City	State	ZIP/Postal Code
Modesto	CA	95358
Country		
United States <a href="#">For International Address</a>		

▶ Environmental Contact - usually first contact

**Environmental Contact** [Copy address...](#)

First & Last Name	Phone	
Rey Sandhu	209-525-6700	
Email		
rsandhu@fineavos.com		
Mailing Address		
3800 Cornucopia Way		
City	State	ZIP/Postal Code
Modesto	CA	95358
Country		
United States <a href="#">For International Address</a>		

▶ Property Owner Information

Name of Signer	Title of Signer	Name of Document Preparer
Job Ramirez	CEO	Job Ramirez
Additional Information		
<input type="text"/>		

**Locally-Collected Information**

Some or all of the following fields may be required by your local regulator(s).

<b>Property Owner</b> <a href="#">Copy address...</a>	<b>Assessor Parcel Number (APN)</b>	
First & Last Name	Phone	
Ramirez Avocados Co.	209-525-6772	
Mailing Address		
3800 Cornucopia Way		
City	State	Zip Code
Modesto	CA	95358
Country		
United States <a href="#">For International Address</a>		
<b>Number of Employees</b>		
365		
<b>Facility ID (Regulator Provided)</b>		
<input type="text"/>		

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**Facility Information** DRAFT Oct. 2, 2024

## ▶ ALWAYS REQUIRED TO SUBMIT THIS ELEMENT

- ▶ Business Activities
  - ▶ Indicate which programs are applicable
  - ▶ Mark “yes” to open program element
- ▶ Business Owner/Operator Information
  - ▶ Owner - sole ownership, could be Inc or LLC if applicable
  - ▶ Primary Contact with 24-hour phone number
  - ▶ Environmental Contact - usually first contact
  - ▶ Billing Contact
  - ▶ Property Owner Information

- ▶ The EPA ID is currently inactive for this facility. Reactivate it and I will be able to accept this portion of your submittal. If you need any help with this email me at 209-525-6772 or email at [jmramirez@envres.org](mailto:jmramirez@envres.org)
- ▶ Please provide the property owner information and I will be able to accept this submittal element, if you have any questions, you can contact me at 209-525-6772 or email at [jmramirez@envres.org](mailto:jmramirez@envres.org)

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# HAZARDOUS MATERIAL INVENTORY

- ▶ Chemical name
- ▶ Indicate if material is an Extremely Hazardous Substance (EHS)
- ▶ Is the material a trade secret?
- ▶ What is the physical state and material type?
- ▶ What are the associated Physical and Health Hazards (SDS sheets)
- ▶ Product's on-site information:
  - ▶ Max at one time,
  - ▶ Average daily amount on site,
  - ▶ How many days is it in your facility,
  - ▶ How is it stored,
  - ▶ Where is it stored,
  - ▶ What are the conditions of its storage

➤ Please make the following corrections to the Hazardous Materials Inventory, for all chemicals listed in the inventory... All fields must be completed before I can accept this portion of your submittal. If you have any questions, you can contact me at 209-525-6772 or email at [jmramirez@envres.org](mailto:jmramirez@envres.org)

# HAZARDOUS MATERIAL INVENTORY

### Chemical Identification and Physical Properties

Chemical Name: Potassium Citrate 50% Aqueous Solution

Common Name: Potassium Citrate

CAS Number: 866-84-2

CERS Chemical Library ID: -

US EPA SRS ID:

Physical State:  Solid  Liquid  Gas

Hazardous Material Type:  Pure  Mixture  Waste

Trade Secret:  Yes  No

### Chemical Hazard Classification

EHS:  Yes  No

Radioactive:  Yes  No

Curies:

Fire Code Hazard Classes (by priority):  
:   
:   
:   
[View/Edit Additional Firecodes](#)

Federal Hazard Categories:

- PHYSICAL: Flammable
- PHYSICAL: Gas Under Pressure
- PHYSICAL: Explosive
- PHYSICAL: Self-heating
- PHYSICAL: Pyrophoric
- PHYSICAL: Oxidizer
- PHYSICAL: Organic Peroxide
- PHYSICAL: Self-reactive
- PHYSICAL: Pyrophoric Gas
- PHYSICAL: Corrosive to Metal
- PHYSICAL: In Contact with Water Emits Flammable Gas
- PHYSICAL: Combustible Dust
- PHYSICAL: Hazard Not Otherwise Classified (HNOC)
- HEALTH: Carcinogenicity
- HEALTH: Acute Toxicity
- HEALTH: Reproductive Toxicity
- HEALTH: Skin Corrosion or Irritation
- HEALTH: Respiratory or Skin Sensitization
- HEALTH: Serious Eye Damage or Eye Irritation

### Inventory Location and Quantity

Chemical Location: Ingredients warehouse

Average Daily Amount: 450

Maximum Daily Amount: 900

Chemical Location Confidential EPCRA:  Yes  No

Largest Container: 55

Annual Waste Amount: 0

Map # (Optional):

Grid # (Optional):

Days on Site: 365

Units:  gallons  cubic feet  pounds  tons

### Inventory Storage Information

Aboveground Tank  Can  Box  Tank Truck, Tank Wagon

Underground Tank  Carboy  Cylinder  Tank Car, Rail Car

Tank Inside Building  Silo  Glass Bottle  Other

Steel Drum  Fiber Drum  Plastic Bottle

Plastic/Non-Metallic Drum  Bag  Tote Bin

Storage Pressure:  Ambient  Above Ambient  Below Ambient

Storage Temperature:  Ambient  Above Ambient  Below Ambient  Cryogenic

### Mixture Components

Hazardous Component Name	CAS Number	% by Weight	EHS	Additional Mixture Components
Potassium Citrate	866-84-2	50.20	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	

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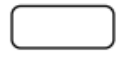
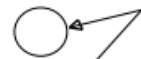





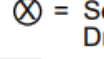
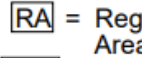
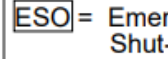



Date: \_\_\_\_\_

The site map must contain the following:

- ▶ North orientation
- ▶ Adjacent streets
- ▶ Access and exit points
- ▶ Evacuation staging areas
- ▶ Hazardous material handling and storage areas
- ▶ Emergency response equipment

If applicable

- ▶ Emergency shutoffs
- ▶ Internal roads
- ▶ Loading areas
- ▶ Storm and sewer drains

 = Underground Storage Tank  = Aboveground Storage Tank  DOT Code  = Haz. Mat Storage Area
 = Fire Extinguisher  = Spill control Material  = Access to Building  = Fire Hydrant  = Sewer Drain, Dry Well  = Regrouping Area  = Emergency Shut-off  = Electric Shut Off  = Gas Shut Off  = Water Shut Off

▶ Your site map is missing a few elements. Please make sure you include the following (if applicable): north orientation, loading areas, internal roads, adjacent streets, storm and sewer drains, access and exit points, emergency shutoffs, evacuation staging areas, hazardous material handling and storage areas, and emergency response equipment. If you have any questions feel free to call me at 209-525-6772 or email at [jmramirez@envres.org](mailto:jmramirez@envres.org)

North	Scale	Business Name:
		Business Address:

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# Emergency Response and Training Plans

The HMBP must include emergency response plans and procedures in the event of a reportable release or threatened release

- ▶ Immediate Notifications to:
    - ▶ Local Emergency Response Personnel (911)
    - ▶ Local CUPA (Stanislaus (209) 525-6700)
    - ▶ Cal OES (800) 852-7550
    - ▶ Nearest Medical Facility
    - ▶ RWQCB (916) 464-3291
  - ▶ Procedures for the mitigation:
    - ▶ How you plan to minimize any potential harm or damage to persons, property, or the environment.
  - ▶ Evacuation plans and procedures
- ▶ Who are you going to call?
  - ▶ What are you going to do?
  - ▶ Where are you going to go?

# Emergency Response and Training Plans

**Instructions/Help**

**Emergency Response/Contingency Plan(s) Supplemental Documentation**  
You must submit an emergency response/contingency plan for your facility. Contact your local regulator for more information about providing a suitable plan. To upload a document, select the **Browse** button and then the file on your computer to upload, provide a document title, and then select **Save & Finish** to complete the upload. Use of other document options shown on the left must be approved by your local regulator.

**Consolidated Emergency Response/Contingency Plan Template:** This optional template may be used to satisfy requirements that Hazardous Materials Business Plans (HMBP) contain emergency response plans, procedures, and employee training in the event of a reportable/threatened hazardous material release. [Download](#) the form, read the [instructions](#), complete it, and upload it here.

**Document Options**

- Upload Document(s)
- Public Internet URL
- Provided Elsewhere in CERS
- Provided to Regulator
- Stored at Facility
- Exempt

**Document Upload(s)** [CERS Document Upload Policy](#)

**Upload Document**

Choose File CERS Step-...uidance.pdf

Date Authored (Required) 2/13/2026

Document Title (Required) Emergency Response/Contingency Plan

Description/Comments (Optional)

- ▶ You must add the number of the Stanislaus County Department of Environmental Resources, (209) 525-6700, to your emergency response plan in the section designating the "Local Unified Program Agency." Once you do this, I will accept your submittal. You also must add the REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD (RWQCB) number which is, (916) 464-3291. Lastly, you must add the nearest health treatment facility that you instruct your employees to go to in the instance of an emergency (NEAREST MEDICAL FACILITY / HOSPITAL NAME). If you have any questions you can contact me at (209) 525 - 6772 or via email at [jmramirez@envres.org](mailto:jmramirez@envres.org) - Job

# It is time so submit! (by March 1st)

## Annual HMBP Certification (AB 1429)

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Certify

## Facility Information

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Submit

[Business Activities](#)

Ready to Submit with warnings

Edit

[Business Owner/Operator Identification](#)

Ready to Submit

Edit

[Discard Draft Submittal](#)

[Miscellaneous State-Required Documents](#)

[Add Comment To Regulator](#)

## Hazardous Materials Inventory

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Submit

[Hazardous Material Inventory](#)

Add Material

Ready to Submit

Discard

[Site Map \(Official Use Only\): Upload Document\(s\)](#)

Ready to Submit

Edit

Discard

[Discard Draft Submittal](#)

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## Emergency Response and Training Plans

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Submit

[Emergency Response/Contingency Plan: Upload Document\(s\)](#)

Ready to Submit

Edit

Discard

[Employee Training Plan](#)

Document Needed

New

[Discard Draft Submittal](#)

[Miscellaneous State-Required Documents](#)

[Add Comment To Regulator](#)

# Emergency Response and Training Plans

**HMBP must also include a training program, for all employees, that includes training in safety procedures in the event of a release or threatened release of a hazardous material.**

- ▶ The program shall take into consideration the responsibilities of the employees to be trained and shall, at minimum, include:
  - ▶ Methods for safe handling of hazardous materials.
  - ▶ Procedures for coordination with local emergency response organizations.
  - ▶ Use of emergency response equipment and supplies under the control of the handler.
  - ▶ Familiarity with the emergency response plan and procedures.

**The business plan shall include provisions for ensuring that appropriate personnel receive initial and refresher training.**

- ▶ The training must be documented electronically or by hard copy and shall be made available for a **minimum of three years.**

# Emergency Response and Training Plans

- ▶ Every option has its own requirements which is based on the operations of your facility.
- ▶ Any aspect that is missing will lead to a rejected element.
  - ▶ Any plan that is submitted for response and training purposes is reviewed.

[Instructions/Help](#)

### Employee Training Plan(s) Supplemental Documentation

You must submit an employee training plan(s) for your facility. Contact your local regulator for more information about providing a suitable plan(s). To upload a document, select the **Browse** button and then the file on your computer to upload, provide a document title, and then select **Save & Finish** to complete the upload. Use of other document options shown on the left must be approved by your local regulator.

If your employee training plan is included in your Emergency Response/Contingency Plan, select the **Provided in other Submittal Element** document option and then the **Emergency Response and Training Plans** submittal element.

**Document Options**

- Upload Document(s)
- Public Internet URL
- Provided Elsewhere in CERS
- Provided to Regulator
- Stored at Facility
- Exempt

**Document Upload(s)** [CERS Document Upload Policy](#)

Document Title	Date Authored	
<a href="#">Employee Training Plan</a> (Portable Document Format, 71 KB)	2/13/2026	<a href="#">Discard</a>

**Upload Document**

No file chosen

Date Authored (Required)   Document Title (Required)

Description/Comments (Optional)

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### Facility Information

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### Hazardous Materials Inventory

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### Confirm, Certify, and Submit Your Facility Submittal

**Certification Statement:** Based on my own knowledge and/or on my inquiry of those individuals responsible for obtaining the information, I, Job Ramirez (CERS Account username *jramirez*), certify on 2/14/2026 under penalty of law that I have personally examined and am familiar with the information submitted and believe the information is true, accurate, and complete.

### Facility Information

Ready To Submit

Information will be reported to Stanislaus County Environmental Resources.  
[Add Comment To Regulator](#)

### Hazardous Materials Inventory


Ready To Submit

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### Emergency Response and Training Plans

Ready To Submit

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You have submitted the following elements on 2/14/2026 to Stanislaus County Environmental Resources

- Facility Information
- Hazardous Materials Inventory
- Emergency Response and Training Plans

# CHANGES & UPDATES TO INFORMATION

## When?

- ▶ WITHIN 30 DAYS UPDATE AND ELECTRONICALLY SUBMIT
- ▶ 100% increase in quantity of hazardous material
- ▶ Addition of new hazardous material
- ▶ A substantial change in the operations that requires modification to any portion of the business plan.

## Did something change?

- ▶ Address
- ▶ Ownership
- ▶ Business Name
- ▶ Operations
- ▶ Update of site map
- ▶ Update of Emergency Response Needed

# CERS NextGen

# Goals

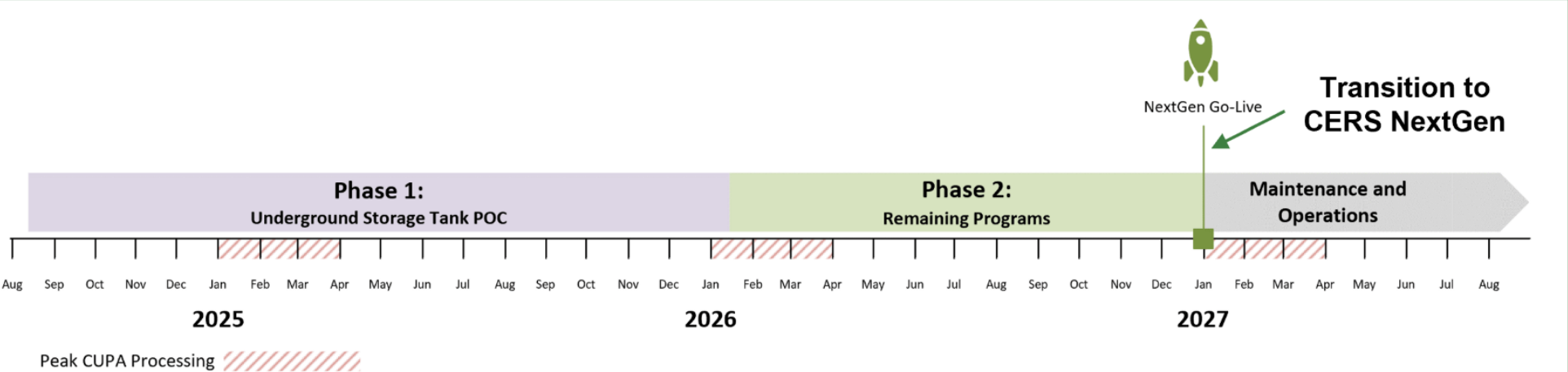
- ▶ Introduce the Project
- ▶ Identify Key Changes
- ▶ Discuss Common Questions

# CERS NextGen

The technology supporting CERS is near-end-of-life and needs a technology refresh. CalEPA is in the process of developing CERS NextGen.

- ▶ A modern cloud-based platform
- ▶ An adaptable solution that can accommodate future business needs
- ▶ Enhanced data quality

# Project Timeline



# Project Timeline

The Project has been split into two phases.

- ▶ Phase 1 to build significant majority of the foundational system functionality and all functionality for the UST Program.
- ▶ Phase 2 will complete the other 5 Programs. The version with complete functionality for all CUPA Programs is anticipated to be required in 2027 but available in 2026.

# Updates

How to receive updates for CERS Nextgen?

- ▶ You can subscribe to the email list, visit the CERS NextGen web page to subscribe the listserv:  
<https://cers.calepa.ca.gov/cersnextgen/>
- ▶ Attend CERS NextGen Townhall Webinars.
- ▶ Presentation will be provided at CUPA Conference 2026 March 23<sup>rd</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup>.

# Key Changes



# RTC Submission Process

- ▶ CERS NextGen will include the ability for a facility to enter Return-To-Compliance (RTC) information for violations cited during an inspection (or other “Compliance Activity”).
- ▶ This new functionality will provide a fast and secure process for facilities to provide documents and pictures to their regulator to show they have corrected violations.

# RTC Submission Process

	Current State	Future State
<b>Expected changes:</b>	<p>RTC information is provided directly to regulator.</p> <p>Regulator provides new and updated violation information to CERS.</p>	<p>RTC information can be provided directly to regulator or to CERS NextGen.</p> <p>RTC information will exist as an independent record in CERS NextGen that becomes related to a violation.</p>

## Comments:

Businesses will need to learn a new function in CERS NextGen if we choose to utilize it. We will keep businesses in the loop if this feature is utilized.

# Required / New Data Fields

- ▶ Most existing data fields will become required in CERS NextGen and some new data fields will be added.

# More Required Elements

## Submittal Guidance

All (3)  Required (3)  Warning (0)  Advisory (0)

Required guidance must be resolved before you can submit the **Hazardous Materials Inventory** submittal element.

- Field "EHS" for material "Petroleum spirits", location "" MUST be filled in before you submit your inventory.
- Field "Maximum Daily Amount" for material "Petroleum spirits", location "" MUST be filled in before you submit your inventory.
- Field "Storage Container" for material "Petroleum spirits", location "" MUST be filled in before you submit your inventory.

Discard

Save

Cancel

### Chemical Identification and Physical Properties

Chemical Name

CERS Chemical Library ID

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Common Name

CAS Number

US EPA SRS ID

695015

Physical State

Solid  Liquid  Gas

Hazardous Material Type 

Pure  Mixture  Waste

Trade Secret

Yes  No

# Required / New Data Fields

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	<b>Current State</b>	<b>Future State</b>
<b>Expected changes:</b>	Most fields are legally required, in either statute or regulation but many data fields are not required to be filled in to make a successful submission.	Most data fields will become required to make a successful submission.  New data fields will be created to support revised business processes.

## **Comments:**

Businesses will be required to enter information in most fields.

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# Submittal Due Date Notification

	Current State	Future State
<b>Expected changes:</b>	CERS allows, but does not require setting a next due date.	CERS NextGen will require that a due date be set for all submittal elements.  Notifications will automatically be sent to businesses.

## Comments:

Regulators will need to establish due dates in CERS NextGen. The standard due date is March 1<sup>st</sup> of each calendar year.

# Modified Submittal Process

	<b>Current State</b>	<b>Future State</b>
<b>Expected changes:</b>	New submittal must be made for any corrections.	A submittal element can be electronically returned to a facility for revisions or for acceptance of minor revisions made by the regulator.

# Recyclable Materials Report Documentation

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## Current State

## Future State

### Expected changes:

Submittal requires a document to be scanned and uploaded.

Submittal is on-screen with data entry fields.

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# UST Records

	<b>Current State</b>	<b>Future State</b>
<b>Expected changes:</b>	UST information stored within submittal elements.	<p>USTs will exist as separate tank and monitoring plan records. Tank information will be stored in the tank record.</p> <p>USTs can be transferred to a new facility upon ownership change.</p>

# Common Questions

**What data will be migrated to the new system?**

The retention of historic submittals will follow the State Office of the Secretary's records retention policy. In general this means 7 years of historical data will be retained.

# Common Questions

**Will the chemical inventory data not migrate to CERS NextGen if incomplete or will facilities just not be able to certify/resubmit the migrated submission if this information is missing?**

CERS NextGen will implement new system rules to ensure future submittal requirements are clear to users and data provided is of higher quality. A user will not be able to certify or submit if data does not meet the new system requirements.

# Common Questions

**Will the CERS NextGen have a document library for users similar to UNIDOCS?**

Unidocs predates CERS and should not be used as the sole source for information pertaining to compliance with Unified Programs. Many templates have been converted to data entry within CERS NextGen.

# Common Questions

**Can there be control over who receives automated emails for particular sites?**

Notifications will be configurable in the new system. Specific rules for these notification have not yet been finalized.

# Common Questions

## How can businesses prepare for CERS NextGen?

Ensure the current data within CERS is as accurate and complete as possible. Ensure every business has a lead business user.

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