



SC DEPARTMENT of  
**ENVIRONMENTAL  
SERVICES**

**NOTICE OF 30-DAY PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**  
**Dolphin Cove Marina**  
**Charleston, South Carolina**

SCDES (the South Carolina Department of Environmental Services) is accepting public comments on a proposed Voluntary Cleanup Contract through January 22, 2025.

The Voluntary Cleanup Contract, 24-5315-NRP, will affect approximately 13.1 acres located 2079 Austin Avenue, Charleston, South Carolina. The property is further identified by Charleston County Tax Map Number 466-00-00-022. A company known as QD Dolphin Cove, LLC (QDDC) wants to acquire the property and intends to continue use of the Property as a marina.

The property was formerly part of a phosphate fertilizer manufacturing facility. The past use of the property may have caused environmental pollution on the property.

SCDES uses Voluntary Cleanup Contracts to encourage productive reuse of Brownfield sites. If this Voluntary Cleanup Contract is implemented, SCDES will allow QDDC to acquire the property as a "Brownfields Site" because of the potential for environmental pollution from past activity on the property.

SCDES will not hold QDDC responsible for pre-existing pollution in exchange for doing work under the Voluntary Cleanup Contract. Under the proposed contract, QDDC will test soil, groundwater, and surface water on the property. If significant contamination is found, QDDC will be required to take steps to protect human health and the environment. QDDC did not create the pollution, but will control it to keep the property safe for re-use. Under State law, QDDC will not be responsible if anyone has been affected by the contamination. The responsibility of former owners or operators of the property is not reduced by this contract.

The proposed contract is available at <https://des.sc.gov/PublicNotices> . Printed copies may be obtained from the SCDES Freedom of Information Office at (803) 898-3882.

The public may provide written, email, or telephone comments on the proposed contract through January 22, 2025. Questions or comments may be directed to Sophia Owens, Project Manager, by e-mail at [Sophia.Owens@des.sc.gov](mailto:Sophia.Owens@des.sc.gov) telephone (803) 898-0932, or TOLL-FREE at (866) 576-3432. Written comments should be directed to Sophia Owens at SCDES, 2600 Bull Street, Columbia, SC 29201.