

# Reducing PCBs in the Environment



## Local and statewide programs aim to identify and control sources of PCBs



### Spokane River Regional Toxics Task Force

- Identify and reduce sources of PCBs
- Data collection, monitoring and source ID
- Community education and outreach



### Cleaning up contaminated sites

- Ecology's Toxics Cleanup Program works to remedy land contaminated with dangerous materials
- Four PCB cleanup sites along Spokane River



### Green Chemistry/Local source control

- Ecology provides resources for designing chemicals and processes that are safer, healthier, and more sustainable



### Safer Products for WA

- Identifies printing ink as significant source of PCBs
- Identifies safer alternatives for products that contain PCBs in pigments and dyes



### Street sweeping

- Controls PCBs found in dirt, dust, and other material by reducing loading into stormwater systems



### State purchasing policy

- Establishes purchasing preference for products and packaging that do not contain PCBs
- Sets PCB restrictions in yellow road paint



### Stormwater Controls

- MS4 permits
- City of Spokane Integrated Clean Water Plan



### Chemical Action Plan for PCBs

- Identifies, characterizes, and evaluates uses and releases of PCBs