

Cascade Helicopters Chelan County



Chelan County and Ecology in Agreement on Cleanup

The Washington State Department of Ecology and Chelan County are providing an opportunity for the public to comment on a Consent Decree which will implement the Cleanup Action Plan for the cleanup of pesticide contaminated soil at the former Cascade Helicopters site located at the Cashmere-Dryden Airport in Cashmere, Washington.

Site Background

Cascade Helicopters, Incorporated owned and operated an aerial pesticide applicator business on property located at the Cashmere-Dryden Airport from approximately 1973 through 2000.

Remedial Investigation/ Feasibility Study

The Remedial Investigation revealed soil contaminated with pesticides and petroleum products above regulatory levels in areas formerly used by Cascade Helicopters, Inc. The soil contamination is primarily located in the upper two feet of soil but was shown to be located as deep as seven feet. No pesticide or petroleum contamination was detected in groundwater above human health based regulatory levels.

Seven cleanup action alternatives were evaluated in the Feasibility Study including: no action, institutional controls, containment, treatment (on- and off-site),

disposal (on- and off-site) and removal. The evaluation resulted in a preferred alternative consisting of soil removal and off-site disposal.

Cleanup Action Plan

The Cleanup Action Plan (CAP) identifies the cleanup actions selected by Ecology for the remediation of contaminated soils at the Cascade Helicopters Site. Ecology has selected removal and off-site disposal as the cleanup action for the site. Cleanup is scheduled to begin in the spring of 2004.

Consent Decree

Chelan County and the Department of Ecology will enter into an agreement known as a consent decree. After the public's opportunity to comment, the consent decree will be finalized and filed in Chelan County District Court.

How Can You Be Involved?

You are invited to review and submit written comments on the proposed Consent Decree. The 30-day public comment period will run from September 26, 2003 to October 27, 2003. Ecology will respond in writing to all comments received and the Consent Decree will be revised if necessary. The public is encouraged to participate in this process.

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