

Proposed Removal from the Hazardous Sites List

Public Comment Invited

The Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) plans to remove the McKee Radiator site from the Hazardous Sites List (see below). Ecology has determined that no further cleanup is needed and has issued a No Further Action letter for the site.

Background

The McKee Radiator site was used as a radiator shop beginning in the 1930s. Radiator shops use certain chemicals that can cause soil and groundwater contamination if released to the environment. In 2006, an environmental consultant collected samples near a drain where there was potential for soil and groundwater contamination. These samples showed lead above the state cleanup standard of 250 parts per million. In 2007, this area was excavated and three more soil samples were tested. These soil samples showed that lead was *below* state standards.

In 2008, the area was re-excavated and more soil samples were collected. These samples were also below state cleanup standards. Ecology believes that roof water drained onto the concrete floor, carrying lead dust from the dirty concrete floor into the floor cores from the first sampling. All excavated soil was removed from the site and taken to an appropriate disposal site.

What Happens Next

You are invited to review and comment on the No Further Action letter and the report used to make the decision. These documents are available on Ecology's Web site and at the repositories listed to the right. Ecology will respond to your comments after the end of the comment period (November 14, 2008). Ecology may require further sampling or cleanup based on information given by the public. Otherwise, the site will be removed from the Hazardous Sites List after the comment period.



What is the Hazardous Sites List?

The Hazardous Sites List includes sites that have been assessed for their potential risk to human health and the environment. Sites are then ranked 1-5, based on the degree of risk, with 1 being the highest. McKee Radiator has a ranking of 5.

Comments Accepted

October 15 to November 14, 2008

Submit Comments and Technical Questions to:

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DOCUMENT REVIEW LOCATIONS

Chehalis Timberland Library
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Ecology's Toxics Cleanup Web site
http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/tcp/sites/mcKee/mcKeeRad_hp.html

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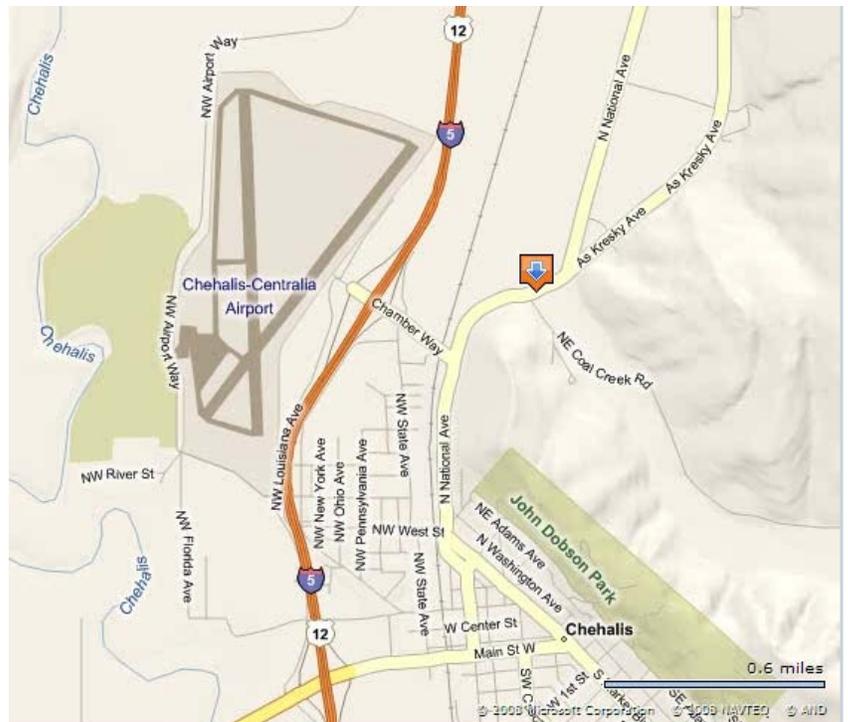
McKee Radiator Lewis County, WA

Ecology Seeks Public Comment on the Proposed Removal of the Site from the Hazardous Sites List

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