

Site Register

WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY TOXICS CLEANUP PROGRAM



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The Site Register is published every two weeks to inform you about public comment periods, public meetings, hearings, and other information related to the study and cleanup of hazardous waste sites under the Model Toxics Control Act, Chapter 70.105D RCW.

You may also find information about public hearings, meetings, workshops, and open public comment periods on Ecology's web page. Go to www.ecy.wa.gov and click on the Public Involvement Calendar.

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FORMAL CLEANUPS

Ecology oversees complex cleanup sites to ensure that your health and that of the environment are protected.

KING COUNTY

Landsburg Mine Facility, Kent Kangley Rd & 268th Ave SE, Ravensdale

Interim Groundwater Monitoring Results

Groundwater sampling and analysis at the Landsburg Mine site is now complete. The results are available to the public. The monitoring results are contained in a document called Landsburg Mine Site Interim Groundwater Monitoring Results - February 2006. This report is available for review at the information repositories listed below.

There were no significant changes in groundwater conditions and no contamination was found in groundwater from any of the site monitoring wells that can be attributed to wastes disposed in the trench. The analytical results from LMW-11 (700 feet monitoring well located at the lowest level within the southern portion of the former mine) did not detect any organic compounds. Metals were detected, but are believed to be typical of coal mining areas.

A Responsiveness Summary to comments received during the October 20 through November 18, 2005 public comment period for the proposed Agreed Order Amendment, State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) environmental checklist, and SEPA Determination of Non-Significance is now available. The comment period was extended through February 15, 2006 in response to requests from members of the public to hold a public meeting.

Ecology received written and verbal comments from individuals and stakeholder groups during the comment period and public meeting. Based on the public comments, revisions made to the pipeline proposal include:

- Modifying the route of the discharge line to go under or alongside the Summit Landsburg road rather than its original route through Palmer Coking Coal property and easements.
- Installing the infrastructure but not physically connecting the four inch pipe until groundwater monitoring at the site indicates that action levels are exceeded and the contingency plan must be implemented to prevent migration of contaminants offsite.

A revised SEPA Determination of Non-Significance has been issued to recognize these changes. These revisions will not alter the nature of the interim action and are therefore not substantive enough to require an additional 30-day public comment period.

The Interim Groundwater Monitoring Results and Responsiveness Summary are available for review at the following locations:

- Maple Valley Library, 21844 SE 248th Street, Maple Valley
- Ecology NWRO Regional Office, 3190 160th Avenue SE, Bellevue (Please call [425/649-7190](tel:4256497190) for an appointment.)
- Ecology's website at http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/tcp/sites/landsburg_mine/landsburg_mine_hp.html.

You may receive a copy of the Responsiveness Summary by contacting **Justine Asohmbom** at [425/649-7135](tel:4256497135), or e-mail at Juas461@ecy.wa.gov.

For more information, please contact **Jerome Cruz** at [425/649-7094](tel:4256497094), or e-mail Jcru461@ecy.wa.gov.

KITSAP COUNTY

Wyckoff/Eagle Harbor Site, 5350 Creosote Place NE, Bainbridge Island

Public comment period:
6/3/2006 – 7/3/2006

Agreed Order

The City of Bainbridge Island proposes to enter into an Agreed Order (Order) with the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) for the Wyckoff/Eagle Harbor Site - Phase III Acquisition Area (Site). This Order is issued by Ecology through the Model Toxics Control Act (Chapter 70.105D RCW, Chapter 173-340 WAC). The Site is a portion of a larger site cleanup called the Wyckoff/Eagle Harbor Superfund Site. Historic wood-treating activities resulted in the soil, groundwater and subtidal sediments being polluted with chemicals contained in creosote and pentachlorophenol (PCP).

The Order requires the City of Bainbridge Island to perform work at the Wyckoff/Eagle Harbor Site – Phase III Acquisition Area by undertaking certain remedial actions consisting of construction, redevelopment and maintenance of the Park. The objective of the work is the development of the Pritchard Park Remediation and Redevelopment Plan (PPRRP). The work must be conducted by the City of Bainbridge Island so as not to conflict with the EPA remedy.

You may review the agreed order at the following locations:

- City of Bainbridge Island Planning Department, 280 Madison Avenue N, Bainbridge Island
- Bainbridge Island Library, 1270 Madison Avenue N, Bainbridge Island
- Ecology Headquarters Office, 300 Desmond Drive, Lacey **360/407-7224** (Please call for an appointment.)
- Ecology's website at http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/tcp/sites/wyckoff/wyckoff_hp.html.

For more information or to submit written comments, please contact **Chung Ki Yee** at **360/407-6991** or e-mail **Cyee461@ecy.wa.gov**.

Norwegian Salmon Industries, end of 140 St NW, Gig Harbor

Removal from Hazardous Sites List Proposed

Ecology proposes to remove the Norwegian Salmon Industries site from the Hazardous Sites List. The site had sediment and soil contaminated with carcinogenic polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs), polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), diesel, arsenic, and lead above cleanup standards. Groundwater was contaminated with PAHs, arsenic, lead, and chromium. In August 1997, the site was ranked on the Hazardous Sites List as a 1 (1 being high priority relative to other sites statewide; 5 being low). The site's ranking was based on its location on Colvos Passage as well as site groundwater mixing with surface water (Colvos Passage), a potential pathway for contaminants.

In April 2002, Ecology and Manson Construction agreed to an order to clean up contaminated sediment and soil, and monitor groundwater at the site. Groundwater has been monitored for six years and has met cleanup levels. The requirements of the agreed order have been met. Cleanup included:

- excavate and dispose of about 1320 cubic yards (132 dump truck loads) of contaminated soil and sediment;
- protect Colvos Passage from discharge during excavation;
- sample soil to confirm that contaminants have been removed;
- backfill, grade, and compact excavated areas with clean soil;
- control stormwater;
- monitor groundwater quarterly for at least one year and until groundwater cleanup goals are met;

- prevent access to contaminated soil by imposing property deed restrictions.

The cleanup report and confirmational groundwater monitoring reports show that while contamination has been removed from site groundwater, residual soil contamination remains above state cleanup standards. Deed restrictions which limit how the property can be used have been filed to protect human health and the environment. The cleanup report and groundwater monitoring reports are available for review.

For more information please contact **Guy Barrett**, at **360/407-7115**, or e-mail **Gbar461@ecy.wa.gov**.

PIERCE COUNTY

Hylebos Waterway, Commencement Bay

Public comment period:
5/18/06 – 6/22/06

Proposed Consent Decree

Natural Resource Trustees and United States v. Settling Federal Agencies Commencement Bay (the State of Washington, the Puyallup Tribe of Indians, the Muckleshoot Indian Tribe, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration of the United States Department of Commerce, and the United States Department of the Interior) have negotiated a settlement with Federal potentially responsible parties (the United States General Services Administration, the United States Air Force and the United States Navy,) to compensate for natural resource damages on the Hylebos Waterway portion of the Commencement Bay-Nearshore Tideflats Superfund site. A proposed consent decree has been prepared to formalize this settlement. Under the consent decree, defendants will pay \$13,536,760.33 for natural resource damages and assessment costs.

Ecology requests comments on the proposed consent decree.

Copies of the Consent Decree may be obtained through **Craig Thompson** (contact information below) or downloaded from Ecology's website: http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/tcp/sites/sites_information.html.

For more information or to submit comments, please contact **Craig Thompson** at Department of Ecology, Toxics Cleanup Program, PO Box 47600, Olympia, WA 98504, or by phone at **360/407-7234** or e-mail **Ctho461@ecy.wa.gov**. (Please call for an appointment.)

WHATCOM COUNTY

Central Waterfront site, Bellingham

Public comment period:
5/18/06 – 6/18/06

Agreed Order Documents Available for Public Review and Comment

Ecology, the Port of Bellingham (Port), and the City of Bellingham (City) are proposing an agreed order to implement a remedial investigation/feasibility study (RI/FS) at the Central Waterfront site (Site) in Bellingham, Washington. This Site is one of several cleanup sites identified in the Bellingham Bay Comprehensive Strategy, a bay-wide guidance document issued in 2000. The Comprehensive Strategy integrates sediment cleanup, control of pollution sources, habitat restoration and aquatic/shoreline land use on a bay-wide scale.

The Site is located on approximately 55 waterfront acres in downtown Bellingham. Environmental investigations of the Site have confirmed the presence of hazardous substances in the ground water, surface water, and/or sediments above state cleanup standards. As a result, the Site is subject to investigation and cleanup requirements of the Washington Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA) and Washington Sediment Management Standards (SMS). The primary contaminants of concern are

solid waste, landfill gases, metals, and petroleum related substances.

The draft agreed order documents are available for review at the following locations:

- Bellingham Public Library, 210 Central Avenue, Bellingham **360/676-6860**.
- Ecology, Bellingham Field Office, 1204 Railroad Ave., Suite 200, Bellingham **360/738-6250**. (Please call for an appointment.)
- Ecology Northwest Regional Office, 3190 160th Avenue SE, Bellevue, **425/649-7190**. (Please call for an appointment.)
- Ecology's website at http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/tcp/sites/blhm_bay/sites/bel_bay_sites.html.

For more information or to submit comments, please contact **Sunny Becker** at **425/649-7187** or e-mail **Hlin461@ecy.wa.gov**.

INDEPENDENT CLEANUPS

A property owner may conduct an independent cleanup of contamination and submit reports to Ecology. When a property owner applies to Ecology for review of their independent cleanup, the site enters the Voluntary Cleanup Program. After review, Ecology sends a letter to the property owner stating either that additional work is required to be removed from the list of hazardous waste sites or that no further action is needed.

BENTON COUNTY

Central Regional Office Contact:
509/575-2490 or e-mail **Rjoh461@ecy.wa.gov**

Pump Pak & Eatery, 3W Columbia Drive, Kennewick - Report received: Groundwater Monitoring Annual Report

KING COUNTY

Northwest Regional Office Contact:
425/649-7000

Doug's Auto Row 76, 1725 Auburn Way N, Auburn - Report received: Groundwater Status May 2006

Texaco Star Mart #63-232-1409, 1439 Auburn Way N, Auburn - Report received: Groundwater Status January 2006

Texaco Starmart, 23419 Pacific Hwy S, Des Moines - Report received: Groundwater Status January 2006

Texaco Station #63-232-0277, 3670 150th Ave SE, Bellevue - Report received: Groundwater Status April 2006

Texaco Station #63-232-0497, 13272 100th Ave NE, Kirkland - Report received: Groundwater Status April 2006

Time Oil Co. 216, 2465 South College Street, Seattle - Report received: Groundwater Status March 2006

PSE Cell Tower, West End of Grouse Ridge Rd, Snoqualmie - Report received: PSE Remedial Action Summary, PSE Cell Tower

PIERCE COUNTY

Southwest Regional Office Contact:
360/407-6300

BP # 5568, 11202 Pacific Ave, Tacoma - Report received: 1st & 2nd Quarters 2005 Groundwater Monitoring

Jackpot 315, 6112 River Road, Puyallup - Report received: 2nd Quarter 2006 Groundwater Monitoring

Wilkeson City Hall, 519 Church St, Wilkeson - Report received: UST

Decommissioning; Subsurface Investigation

SNOHOMISH COUNTY

Northwest Regional Office Contact:
425/649-7000

Snohomish Co PUD Spill, 36th Ave W, Everett - Report received: Snoh Co PUD Oil Spill Incident Summary

STEVENS COUNTY

Eastern Regional Office Contact: Patti Carter 509/329-3522

Food Mart 025, 750 N Hwy 395, Colville - Report received: Groundwater Monitoring Report First Quarter 2006

THURSTON COUNTY

Southwest Regional Office Contact:
360/407-6300

Chevron 90956, 670 Trosper Rd SW, Tumwater - Report received: April 2006 Groundwater Monitoring

East 4th Food Mart 372, 927 4th Ave E, Olympia - Report received: 2nd Quarter 2006 Groundwater Monitoring

Jackpot Station 371, 1802 W Harrison Ave NW, Olympia - Report received: 1st Quarter Groundwater Monitoring

WHATCOM COUNTY

Northwest Regional Office Contact:
425/649-7000

Burlington Northern RR Bellingham North, Near 2696 Roeder, Bellingham - Report received: Groundwater Status March 2006

VOLUNTARY CLEANUP PROGRAM

Under Ecology's Voluntary Cleanup Program (VCP), a property owner cleaning up a contaminated site pays a fee for Ecology review. When a cleanup is determined to be sufficient, Ecology issues a no further action decision.

There is a VCP contact person for each of Ecology's 4 regional offices.

Central Regional Office (CRO) VCP Contact: Mark Dunbar, 509/454-7836 or e-mail Mdu461@ecy.wa.gov

Eastern Regional Office (ERO) VCP Contact: Patti Carter, 509/329-3522 or e-mail Paca461@ecy.wa.gov

Northwest Regional Office (NW) VCP Contact: Joe Hickey, 425/649-7202 or e-mail Jhic461@ecy.wa.gov

Southwest Regional Office (SW) VCP Contact: Chuck Cline, 360/407-6267 or e-mail Chcl461@ecy.wa.gov

GRAYS HARBOR COUNTY

SW VCP Contact: Chuck Cline, 360/407-6267 or e-mail Chcl461@ecy.wa.gov

Porter Creek Wrecking Yard, 248 Porter Creek Rd, Elma - Decision: Withdrawn.

Porter Creek Wrecking Yard, 248 Porter Creek Rd, Elma - Submitted 5/26/06, Site status: Independent remedial action.

ISLAND COUNTY

NW VCP Contact: Joe Hickey, 425/649-7202 or e-mail Jhic461@ecy.wa.gov

Unocal Coupeville Bulk Plant, Coveland & Alexander St, Coupeville - Decision: Further action.

KING COUNTY

NW VCP Contact: Joe Hickey, 425/649-7202 or e-mail Jhic461@ecy.wa.gov

Chevron 2740 1st S, 2740 1st Ave S, Seattle - Decision: Opinion letter.

Shoreline Cleaners, 910 N 160th St, Shoreline - Decision: No further action.

Chevron 92558, 1420 N 45th St, Seattle - Decision: No further action.

Roscoe Inc 8910 Lake City Way, 8910 Lake City Way NE, Seattle - Decision: Further action.

Spencer Industries Inc, 8410 Dallas Ave S, Seattle - Decision: Further action

WA State Convention & Trade Center, 8th & Pine, Seattle - Decision: Further action.

Yellow Cab, 912 Dexter Ave N, Seattle - Decision: No further action.

Alaska Street Property, 615 S Alaska St, Seattle - Decision: Further action.

Four Star Cleaners, 17835 1st Ave S, Normandy Park - Decision: Further action.

Sooper Dry Cleaners, 19935 1st Ave S, Normandy Park - Decision: Further action.

Jiffy Lube Store 2082, 10022 Holman Rd NW, Seattle - Submitted 5/31/06, Site status: Independent remedial action.

Kanglx 76, 10407 SE 256th, Kent - Submitted 5/31/06, Site status: Independent remedial action.

Plastic Sales & Service Inc, 6870 Woodlawn Ave NE, Seattle - Submitted 5/31/06, Site status: Independent remedial action.

Plastic Sales & Service Inc, 6870 Woodlawn Ave NE, Seattle - Submitted 5/31/06, Site status: Independent remedial action.

United Furniture Refinishers, 219 Terry Ave N, Seattle - Submitted 5/31/06, Site status: Independent remedial action.

KITSAP COUNTY

NW VCP Contact: Joe Hickey, 425/649-7202 or e-mail Jhic461@ecy.wa.gov

Gorst Gas Mart, 4121 Hwy 16 W, Bremerton - Decision: Further action.

PIERCE COUNTY

SW VCP Contact: Chuck Cline, 360/407-6267 or e-mail Chcl461@ecy.wa.gov

Lakewood Ford, 11517 Pacific Hwy SW, Lakewood - Submitted 5/25/06, Site status: Independent remedial action.

Smurfit Stone Container Corp, 817 E 27th St, Tacoma - Submitted 5/23/06, Site status: Independent remedial action.

SNOHOMISH COUNTY

NW VCP Contact: Joe Hickey, 425/649-7202 or e-mail Jhic461@ecy.wa.gov

Eldec Corporation North Creek, 1522 217th PI SE, Bothell - Decision: No further action.

Residence 11501 S Dogwood Ln, 11501 S Dogwood Ln, Edmonds - Decision: Further action.

THURSTON COUNTY

SW VCP Contact: Chuck Cline, 360/407-6267 or e-mail Chcl461@ecy.wa.gov

Deschutes Animal Clinic, 7248 Capitol Blvd, Tumwater - Submitted 5/23/06, Site status: Independent remedial action.

Reliable Steel, 1218 W Bay Dr, Olympia - Submitted 5/31/06, Site status: Awaiting Site Hazard Assessment.

WHATCOM COUNTY

NW VCP Contact: Joe Hickey, 425/649-7202 or e-mail Jhic461@ecy.wa.gov

Sunshine Cleaners, S College Pkwy & W 36th, Bellingham - Decision: Opinion Letter.

OTHER DEPARTMENT NOTICES

Notice of Process to Amend the MTCA Cleanup Regulation

Ecology is initiating rulemaking to amend the Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA) Cleanup Regulation (Chapter 173-340 WAC). The purpose of the rulemaking is to clarify the policies and procedures for establishing cleanup levels for mixtures of certain chemicals including polychlorinated dibenzo-p-dioxins/polychlorinated dibenzofurans (dioxins/furans), polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) and polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs).

Ecology has determined that a revision to the rule is needed to clarify previous policy decisions and rule interpretations.

As background, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has established a methodology for evaluating dioxin and furans using Toxicity Equivalency Factors (TEFs). The current MTCA Cleanup Regulation specifies that cleanup proponents may use the TEF methodology when establishing cleanup levels for mixtures of dioxin/furans. After publishing the rule amendments in February 2001, Ecology prepared guidance materials describing how the TEF methodology should be used to establish cleanup levels.

In November 2005, the Rayonier Corporation filed a lawsuit challenging Ecology's application of the guidance to

the cleanup of a former pulp mill site in Port Angeles. The lawsuit identified an ambiguity in the state's cleanup standards in terms of their application to mixtures of dioxins and furans and the use of the TEF methodology. Similar interpretation issues may exist for PAH and PCB mixtures. Ecology has concluded that revising the rule to clarify key policy decisions is preferable to repeatedly resolving this issue on a site-specific basis.

Ecology has established a schedule for revising the MTCA rule by the end of 2006. During the summer months, Ecology will be preparing draft rule language and performing analyses required under the State Environmental Policy Act, the Administrative Procedures Act and the Regulatory Fairness Act. Ecology plans to publish the proposed rule revisions for public review and comment by the end of August with public hearings being held in September. Ecology will then review the public comments and make final decisions on the rule revisions. Ecology plans to complete the rulemaking process and adopt the final rule revisions by the end of December 2006.

Information on the rulemaking process will be maintained on Ecology's web site at <http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/tcp/cleanup.html>.

Information can also be obtained by contacting **Dan Koroma, 360/407-6426** or email Dkor461@ecy.wa.gov at Department of Ecology, Toxics Cleanup Program, P.O. Box 47600, Olympia, Washington 98504-7600..

TOXICS CLEANUP PROGRAM PUBLICATIONS

Contact: Carol Dorn, 360/407-7224 or e-mail Ccesg461@ecy.wa.gov

Central Waterfront Site Publication #
06-09-001, Date: May 2006

Hicks Road Pit-Benton County
Publication # 06-09-013, Date: May
2006

Tacoma Smelter Plume Site-Soil Safety
Program Final Design Document
Publication # 06-09-043, Date: May
2006

Frequently Asked Questions about
Tacoma Smelter Plume-New State Law-
Free Soil Safety Program for schools
& childcares Publication # 06-09-081,
Date: May 2006

Frequently Asked Questions about
Tacoma Smelter Plume-The state
law creating the Soil Safety Program
Publication # 06-09-082, Date: May
2006

New Policy: POL 500B [http://www.
ecy.wa.gov/programs/tcp/policies/
policy%20500b.pdf](http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/tcp/policies/policy%20500b.pdf).

New Policy: PRO 500B [http://www.
ecy.wa.gov/programs/tcp/policies/
procedure%20500b.pdf](http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/tcp/policies/procedure%20500b.pdf).

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