

# GTE Vehicle Center

## Public comment period on decision to release restrictive covenant: July 14 – August 2, 2022

The Department of Ecology (Ecology) invites you to review and comment on the decision to release the restrictive covenant for the GTE Vehicle Center site located in Kirkland.

The site has a restrictive covenant, which was recorded with King County on August 7, 1995. The covenant is due to gasoline-range petroleum hydrocarbons that formerly remained in soil and groundwater after the initial 1993 cleanup at the site. Some of the covenant restrictions for this site included: 1) any situation that may expose the contaminated area should be preceded with an investigation and remediation of the contaminated area and 2) no groundwater may be taken for domestic purposes.

The Pollution Liability Insurance Agency (PLIA) issues no further action opinion letters (NFAs) for site cleanups involving releases from fuel underground storage tanks (USTs) that comply with Washington's Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA). Following UST removal in 1993 and additional cleanup actions in 2013 and 2021, PLIA determined that no further remedial action was necessary and issued a NFA on March 4, 2022. PLIA's NFA indicated that soil and groundwater have been remediated below MTCA Method A cleanup levels.

The covenant allows for the property owner to release the covenant if Ecology agrees and approves the request. The property owner has submitted this request to Ecology. Based on PLIA's NFA determination, Ecology concurs that the covenant is no longer necessary since there is no remaining contamination exceeding cleanup levels. The cleanup is protective of human health and the environment without the need for activity or land use restrictions.

# GTE Vehicle Center Site

12055 Slater Ave NE, Kirkland WA 98034



## Visit website

<https://apps.ecology.wa.gov/cleanupsearch/site/5147>



## Submit comments

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### Online at:

<https://tcp.ecology.commentinput.com/?id=PHWx2>

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## Contact Ecology Periodic Reviewer

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## ADA accessibility

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