RESPONSE TO COMMENT

Comment Period: Sept 19-Oct 19, 2022

This document addresses questions and comments received by the Department of Ecology (Ecology) during the public comment period for the following documents: the September 2022 Periodic Review and the April 2022 Site Remedy Report/Updated Focused Feasibility Study. These documents are related to the cleanup site at 2244 Port of Tacoma Rd, Tacoma, WA 98421 (formerly owned by Lilyblad Petroleum Inc.).

Ecology published notice of an opportunity to comment on Ecology's website and via the interested parties mailing list. Ecology carefully reviewed all the comments received below. No changes were made to the documents as a result of the comment received.

Comment #1, from Rob Olsen at the Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department

- Environmental Health Code Chapter 4: Underground Storage Tanks provides the Health Department local authority over UST removals and contamination cleanup at all historic and current UST sites in Pierce County.
- Our office issued permits for tank removal in 1999 and 2001.
- Our case remains open and active due to unresolved contamination.
- Lilyblad failed to renew their Site Cleanup permit with our office, despite repeated notifications and our Notice and Order to Correct Violation.
- Failure to respond to our Order resulted in our recording a Certificate of Non Compliance to the property title on 6/23/2016, recording number 201606200492.
- Lilyblad must correct this violation through: 1) application and payment of our annual Site Cleanup permit, and 2) compliance with the permit terms and requirements of Environmental Health Code Chapter 4: USTs.
- Information on our local Contaminated Sites program, including permit applications, fee schedules, frequently asked questions and guidance materials may be found at www.tpchd.org/ust.

Response to Comment #1:

Thank you for the background information. The underground storage tank was located at the northern part of the property. The tank was temporary closed in Dec 21, 1998 (emptied but not removed), per the Closure and Site Assessment Notice submitted to Ecology's Toxics Cleanup Program. The tank location is within the soil and groundwater contamination plume and also within the boundary of the site. As a result, it was covered by Ecology's past Remedial Investigation, Feasibility Study, and Cleanup Action Plan. It will also continue to be covered under this proposed Site Remedy Report and Updated Feasibility (see the map below).

Lilyblad Petroleum Inc. is no longer a registered as a company, based on the Washington Secretary of State database. Ecology had been informed that Lilyblad as a company was dissolved around 2006, prior to Ecology's current cleanup action. For the purposes of retaining the history, the site is referred to as the "former Lilyblad Site." Ecology is currently undertaking the cleanup actions at the site.

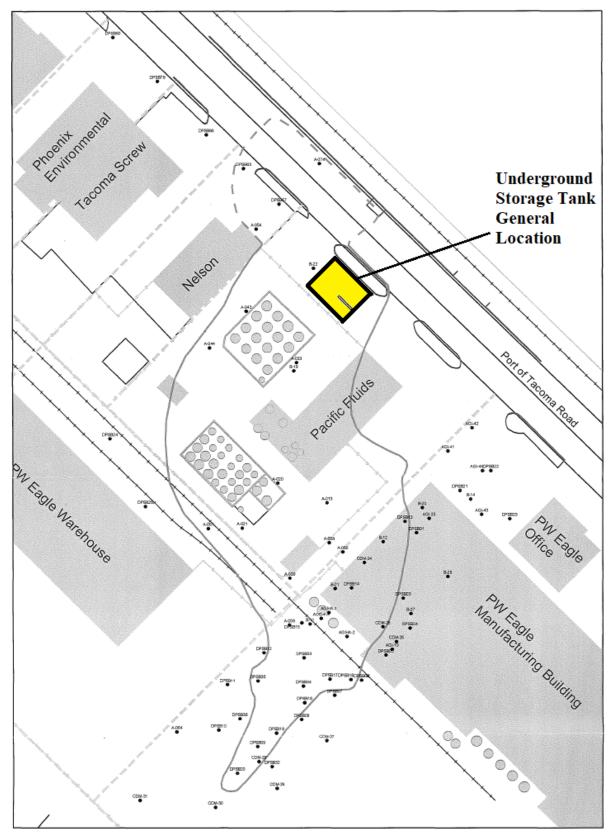


Figure 1. Map of Underground Storage Tank with Respect to the Soil Plume