

RESPONSIVENESS SUMMARY
Dock Street North Right-of-Way Site

**Consent Decree Amendment and Site-Specific Cleanup
Action Plan (SCAP)**

The public comment period for the Dock Street North Right-of-Way (ROW) Consent Decree Amendment and SCAP ran from March 5th to April 4th, 2007. Fact sheets were mailed to about 1300 residents, businesses, local organizations, and government offices. The Consent Decree Amendment and SCAP were made available at repositories in Tacoma (Citizens for a Healthy Bay and Tacoma City Hall) and at the Department of Ecology in Lacey.

One comment was received from Citizens for a Healthy Bay (CHB). The comment is in an attached letter. If you have questions about the comment, please contact:

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Re: Tacoma Redevelopment Properties Dock Street North Right of Way
Site-Specific Cleanup Action Plan

Dear Mr. Coleman:

The purpose of this letter is to provide comments by Citizens for a Healthy Bay (CHB) in regards to the above referenced SCAP. CHB is a community-based, non-profit organization representing the greater Commencement Bay community and working to engage citizens to clean up, restore and protect the Commencement Bay environs. As such we have acted to provide community perspective and oversight into the Commencement Bay cleanup public process for the last 16 years.

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CHB's review shows that the draft SCAP is consistent with similar action plans implemented concurrently with site development on the uplands surrounding Thea Foss Waterway in the past.

The SCAP does not specify a remedy for BTEX groundwater exceedances. During our telephone conversation of today, you indicated that early action on site had revealed an abandoned leaking underground storage tank that was the likely source of the problem. Subsequently the surrounding soil down to groundwater was removed and that, as further site excavation occurs within the contaminant migration area, additional BTEX contaminated soils will also be excavated. Additionally, a monitoring well will be installed down gradient of the contaminated groundwater area to monitor for possible recontamination threats to the Thea Foss Waterway.

CHB understands that you are physically on site closely monitoring the site action and will remain alert to any other possible problems not previously detected during site characterization.

Based on our conversation of earlier today, as previously detailed, CHB has no further substantive comments to add to the SCAP.

Thank you for the opportunity to review and comment on the site specific clean up action plan for the Dock Street North Right of Way site and for continuing to keep us updated on project developments.

Sincerely:

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