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Ruth Traxler  
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**RE: 202400070; LSM-23-011**

Dear Ruth Traxler:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Notice of Application for the Awaken Church parking lot. The Department of Ecology (Ecology) has reviewed the application and have the following comment.

**Toxics Cleanup**

The facility addressed in this proposal is a known contaminated site on Ecology's Contaminated Sites List, Ecology Facility/Site ID 15885, [Cleanup Site ID 13010 - Wenatchee Riverfront Ice Arena](https://apps.ecology.wa.gov/cleanupsearch/site/13010) (<https://apps.ecology.wa.gov/cleanupsearch/site/13010>). Hazardous substances may be present at the site in amounts and/or concentrations likely to affect human health or the environment. Site cleanup may be required in the future by Ecology under the Model Toxics Control Act. Site characterization and/or cleanup may be desirable prior to site alteration or development.

This site contains, or may contain, petroleum contamination. Petroleum is defined by the Model Toxics Control Act as a hazardous substance. Releases that occur or are discovered must be reported to Ecology. Cleanup of petroleum contaminated soils (PCS) should be conducted in accordance with guidelines set forth by the department in Publication 10-09-057, Guidance for Remediation of Petroleum Contaminated Sites (Department of Ecology, June 2016) and in Chapter 173-340 WAC. This guidance is appropriate whether or not the petroleum originated from an underground storage tank release. This information should be shared with the proponent.

If you have questions, please contact Frosti Smith at 509-406-4157 or [frosti.smith@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:frosti.smith@ecy.wa.gov).

**Water Quality: Project with Potential to Discharge Off-Site**

If your project anticipates disturbing ground with the potential for stormwater discharge off-site, the NPDES Construction Stormwater General Permit is recommended. This permit requires that the SEPA checklist fully disclose anticipated activities including building, road construction and utility placements. Obtaining a permit may take 38-60 days.

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The permit requires that a Stormwater Pollution Prevention Plan (Erosion Sediment Control Plan) shall be prepared and implemented for all permitted construction sites. These control measures must be able to prevent soil from being carried into surface water and storm drains by stormwater runoff. Permit coverage and erosion control measures must be in place prior to any clearing, grading, or construction.

In the event that an unpermitted Stormwater discharge does occur off-site, it is a violation of Chapter 90.48 RCW, Water Pollution Control and is subject to enforcement action.

More information on the stormwater program may be found on Ecology's stormwater website at: <http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wq/stormwater/construction/>. Please submit an application or contact **Wendy Neet** at 509- 571-6733. or [wnee461@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:wnee461@ecy.wa.gov) with questions about this permit.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joy Espinoza". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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