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**Re: Early Notice of Listing Contaminated Site and Rescission of No Further Action (NFA)
Status for the Following Site:**

- **Site Name:** Brown Bear Car Wash Interbay
- **Site Address:** 3435 15th Ave W, Seattle WA 98119
- **Facility/Site ID:** 2539
- **Cleanup Site ID:** 5138

Dear Maria Barrientos:

The Department of Ecology (Ecology) issued a No Further Action (NFA) determination for this site on October 3, 1995. Information submitted to Ecology in November 2024 indicates that additional impacts have been discovered at the site. Based on this information and your planned enrollment in the [Technical Assistance Program](#) (TAP)¹ of the [Pollution Liability Insurance Agency](#) (PLIA),² Ecology has determined that the 1995 NFA site status be rescinded.

This Site requires cleanup under the Model Toxics Control Act, chapter [70A.305](#) RCW,³ and the cleanup regulations adopted under that Act, chapters [173-340](#)⁴ and [173-204](#) WAC⁵ (collectively called “the state cleanup law”). Ecology has updated the Site on the [Contaminated Sites List](#).⁶

¹ <https://plia.wa.gov/technical-assistance-program/>

² <https://plia.wa.gov/>

³ <https://app.leg.wa.gov/RCW/default.aspx?cite=70A.305>

⁴ <https://apps.leg.wa.gov/WAC/default.aspx?cite=173-340>

⁵ <https://apps.ecology.wa.gov/publications/documents/1309055.pdf>

⁶ <https://apps.ecology.wa.gov/cleanupsearch/reports/cleanup/contaminated>

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We applaud your initiative and appreciate your work to independently clean up the Site. Your cooperation to clean up the Site is neither an admission of guilt nor liability. This notice is required under [173-340-310](#)(6)(b) WAC.⁷

For more information about this notice, please contact Donna Kirkman by phone at (425) 301-6080 or by email at donna.kirkman@ecy.wa.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Nick Treat', is shown on a light yellow background.

Nick Treat
Unit Supervisor, Voluntary Cleanup Program
Toxics Cleanup Program, NWRO

Enclosure: Cleanup Site Details Report

cc: John Funderburk, Urban Environmental Partners llc (johnf@uepconsulting.com)
PLIA TAP Coordinator (pliamail@plia.wa.gov)

⁷ <https://app.leg.wa.gov/wac/default.aspx?cite=173-340-310>



Cleanup Site Details

Cleanup Site ID: 5138

Cleanup Site ID: 5138 Facility/Site ID: 2539 UST ID: 200745 [Site Page](#) [Site Documents](#) [View Map](#)

Cleanup Site Name: Brown Bear Car Wash Interbay [Glossary](#)

Alternate Names: 15th Self Serve, BROWN BEAR CAR WASH INTERBAY, CAR WASH ENTERPRISES INTERBAY

LOCATION

Address: 3435 15th Ave W City: Seattle Zip Code: 98119 County: King
Latitude: 47.65151 Longitude: -122.37659 WRIA: 8 Legislative District: 36 Congressional District: 7 TRS: 25N 3E 14

DETAIL

Status: Cleanup Started NFA Received? No Is PSI site? No
Statute: MTCA NFA Date: N/A Current VCP? No Past VCP? No
Site Rank: N/A NFA Reason: N/A Brownfield? No
Site Manager: Northwest Region Responsible Unit: Northwest Active Institutional Control? No

CLEANUP UNITS

Cleanup Unit Name	Unit Type	Unit Status	Resp Unit	Unit Manager	Current Process
Car Wash Enterprises Interbay	Upland	Cleanup Started	NW	Northwest Region	Independent Action

ACTIVE INSTITUTIONAL CONTROLS

Instrument Type	Restriction Media	Restrictions/Requirements	Date	Recording Number	Recording County	Tax Parcel
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There are no current Institutional Controls in effect for this site.

AFFECTED MEDIA & CONTAMINANTS

MEDIA						
Contaminant	Soil	Groundwater	Surface Water	Sediment	Air	Bedrock
Arsenic		C				
Benzene	C	C				
Lead	C	C				
Metals - Other		C				
Petroleum-Diesel	C	C				
Petroleum-Gasoline	C	C				
Petroleum-Other	C	C				

Key:

B - Below Cleanup Level C - Confirmed Above Cleanup Level RA - Remediated-Above
S - Suspected R - Remediated RB - Remediated-Below

SITE ACTIVITIES

Activity	Status	Start Date	End Date/ Completion Date
LUST - Report Received	Completed		12/3/1990
LUST - Notification	Completed		1/28/1991
Site Discovery/Release Report Received	Completed		1/29/1991
Independent Report Review - Paid	Completed	11/29/1994	4/5/1995

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SITE ACTIVITIES			
Activity	Status	Start Date	End Date/ Completion Date
LUST - Report Received	Completed		12/7/1994
Initial Investigation / Federal Preliminary Assessment	Completed		3/23/1995
Site Status Changed to NFA	Completed		10/3/1995
Reopen Site	Completed		11/7/2024
Early Notice Letter(s)	Completed		11/12/2024