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MTCA and SMS Cleanup Laws



Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA)

MTCA establishes administrative processes and standards to identify, investigate and clean up facilities where hazardous substances have come to be located. Soil and upland focus.

Key principles of cleanup law:

- Streamlines cleanup approach
- Permanent remedies
- Joint & several liability
- Polluter pays
- Public participation



Model Toxics Control Act Regulation and Statute

MTCA Cleanup Regulation Chapter 173-340 WAC

Model Toxics Control Act Chapter 70.105D RCW

Uniform Environmental Covenants Act Chapter 64.70 RCW

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Chapter 173-204 WAC

Washington state's rule for cleaning up contaminated freshwater and marine sediment



Sediment is unique

Risks from sediment contamination are different than upland:

- We eat a lot of fish and shellfish.
- We have thousands of miles of freshwater and marine shorelines (i.e. a lot of sediment).
- The majority of the population lives near water.

Clean sediment is important to:

- Protect people who eat fish and shellfish and recreate in water.
- Protect valuable natural marine and freshwater resources.
- Maintain attractive recreational opportunities and promote marine outdoor economic opportunities



Who is liable (Potentially Liable Person)?

- Owner and operator at the time of release
- Current owner or operator with any ownership interest or exercises any control
- For abandoned facilities, anyone who owned, operated or exercised control before abandonment
- Credible evidence that persons who owned the hazardous substance and arranged for disposal, treatment or transport (i.e. generators)

What is scope of liability?

- Joint and several: Any PLP may be liable for entire cleanup
- Strict: PLPs are liable for cleanup regardless of who was responsible for pollution

MTCA Cleanup Process



- Site discovery
- Initial investigation
- Site hazard assessment & ranking
- Interim action (if necessary)
- Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study
- Cleanup Action Plan



Our Goal:

Constructively work with PLPs to move efficiently through this process to reach mutual goals

MTCA Cleanup Process



Our interactions with other Ports

- Open communication
- Understanding economic development and a clean environment can coexist
- Public participation is key in efficient cleanups

Puget Sound Initiative



- Began in 2005 2020 goal
- Assessing contamination baywide: 7 priority bays
- Over 100 contaminated nearshore sites
- Restoring and preserving the health of Puget Sound
- Working with Tribes and partners on human and environmental health and natural resources



















Marine Railway

Former Tidal Grid



Everett Shipyard



Extent of contamination: 2.7 acres

Soil results

- Metals and PAHs found widely
- TPH and PCBs found in some locations
- TPH found near travel lift bulkhead
- PCBs found in the vicinity of the Everett Engineering Building
- Mostly surface contamination (0 to 3 feet)

Groundwater results

- Dissolved arsenic exceeded its cleanup level at two locations
- Dissolved nickel and zinc exceeded cleanup levels in only one location
- Diesel Range Petroleum exceeded at one location near the travel haul out area



Everett Shipyard

Extent of contamination: 0.6 acres

Sediment results

Exceedances include:

- SVOCs
- Metals including arsenic, copper, lead, mercury, silver and zinc
- Tributyltin
- PCBs
- One bioassay failure







Based on the results of the RI, four cleanup action alternatives were identified and evaluated for the **upland portion** of the Site: 1.8 to 5.4 Million

- Alternative 1
 - Targeted excavation
 - (1,300 cubic yards)
 - Engineered-cap
- Alternative 2
 - Excavation (9,400 cubic yards)
 - Engineered-cap

Alternative 3

- Building demolition
- Mass excavation
- (18,800 cubic yards)

Alternative 4

- Limited building demolition
- Bulk excavation (14,800 cubic yards)
- Engineered-cap

Based on the results of the RI, two cleanup action alternatives were identified and evaluated for the **in-water portion** of the Site: 2 Million for both

- Alternative 1
 - Targeted dredging
 - Containment

- Alternative 2
 - Mass dredging



Before cleanup construction









After cleanup





- Update of current ownership
- Discuss additional upland/in-water sampling
- Transition from brownfield to cleanup site
- Discuss timeline moving forward
- Other topics

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We're here to work with you

