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Re: No further action necessary under state cleanup law for the following contaminated site based on Initial Investigation:

Site name: Northacres Park
Property address: 12718 1st Ave NE, Seattle WA 98125
Facility/Site ID: 100003521
Cleanup Site ID: 17203
ERTS ID: 730128
County Parcel ID: 6412600019

Dear Adam Bailey:

The Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) received your report about a release of hazardous substances at Northacres Park on April 9, 2024. We also received your report documenting your independent cleanup of the Site on October 10, 2024. We have investigated the release and reviewed your independent cleanup, as required under RCW [70A.305.030](#)(2)(d)¹ and WAC [173-340-310](#).²

Based on the investigation, Ecology has determined that a release posing a threat to human health or the environment occurred, but no further remedial action is necessary to clean up contamination at the Site due to a completed independent remedial action.

Ecology bases this determination on an analysis of whether the remedial action meets the substantive requirements of the Model Toxics Control Act, chapter [70A.305](#) RCW,³ and the cleanup

¹ <https://app.leg.wa.gov/RCW/default.aspx?cite=70A.305.030>

² <https://app.leg.wa.gov/wac/default.aspx?cite=173-340-310>

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

regulations adopted under that act, chapters [173-340](#)⁴ and [173-204](#)⁵ WAC (collectively called the “state cleanup law”).

Based on this determination, Ecology has added the Site to the [No Further Action Sites List](#)⁶ and assigned it Cleanup Site ID 17203. You can find information and electronic records for the Site on the [Northacres Park](#)⁷ webpage.

This determination applies only to the release reported on April 9, 2024, that has a completed independent remedial action.

Ecology bases this determination on the information contained in the following documents:

- Northacres Map & Soil Results. Seattle Parks and Recreation. October 4, 2024.
- Ecology supplemental information compiled on December 3, 2024.

You can request site file documents by submitting a [records request](#).⁸ For help making a request, contact the Public Records Officer at recordsofficer@ecy.wa.gov or call (360) 407-6040.

This determination is void if information in any of the listed documents is materially false or misleading.

Liable persons are strictly liable, jointly and severally, for all remedial action costs and for all natural resource damages resulting from the release or releases of hazardous substances at the Site. This determination does not:

- Resolve or alter a person’s liability to the state.
- Protect liable persons from contribution claims by third parties.

To settle liability with the state and obtain protection from contribution claims, a person must enter into a consent decree with Ecology under RCW [70A.305.040](#)(4).⁹

To recover remedial action costs from other liable persons under MTCA, one must demonstrate that the action is the substantial equivalent of an Ecology-conducted or Ecology-supervised action. This

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

⁵ <https://app.leg.wa.gov/WAC/default.aspx?cite=173-204>

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

⁷ <https://apps.ecology.wa.gov/cleanupsearch/site/17203>

⁸ <https://ecology.wa.gov/About-us/Accountability-transparency/Public-records-requests>

⁹ <https://app.leg.wa.gov/RCW/default.aspx?cite=70A.305.040>

determination does not provide an opinion on whether the action you performed is substantially equivalent. Courts make that determination. See RCW [70A.305.080](https://app.leg.wa.gov/RCW/default.aspx?cite=70A.305.080)¹⁰ and WAC [173-340-545](https://apps.leg.wa.gov/WAC/default.aspx?cite=173-340-545).¹¹

The state, Ecology, and its officers and employees are immune from all liability, and no cause of action of any nature may arise from any act or omission in providing this determination. See RCW [70A.305.170](https://app.leg.wa.gov/RCW/default.aspx?cite=70A.305.170)(6).¹²

If you have any questions about this determination, please contact the regional Initial Investigation Coordinator, Donna Kirkman, at (425) 301-6080 or donna.kirkman@ecy.wa.gov.

Sincerely,



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¹⁰ <https://app.leg.wa.gov/RCW/default.aspx?cite=70A.305.080>

¹¹ <https://apps.leg.wa.gov/WAC/default.aspx?cite=173-340-545>

¹² <https://app.leg.wa.gov/RCW/default.aspx?cite=70A.305.170>