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### **RE:** Ecology Comments on the Draft Cleanup Action Plan for the Following Site:

• Site Name:

- Simplot Soilbuilders Sunnyside
- Site Address: 300 South 1<sup>st</sup> Street, Sunnyside
- Facility Site ID No.: 76742139
- Cleanup Site ID No.: 2558
- Agreed Order No.: DE 16446

Dear Rachel Roskelley:

Thank you for submitting the above-referenced document. Below are the Department of Ecology's (Ecology) comments on the Draft Cleanup Action Plan (DCAP) Simplot Soilbuilders Sunnyside, received on September 25, 2024. Ecology welcomes a discussion of the comments.

# **Ecology Comments/Discussion/Resolution**

Below are Ecology's comments, associated discussion, and expectations about the resolution.

### **Ecology Comment 1: General Comment**

In the DCAP, please include a summary of how impacts on likely vulnerable populations and overburdened communities were considered when selecting the cleanup action and developing the plan per WAC 173-340-380(5)(c).<sup>1</sup> In our meeting on April 10, 2025, we also discussed updating the Feasibility Study to include this information.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> https://app.leg.wa.gov/wac/default.aspx?cite=173-340-380

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# **Ecology Comment 2: General Comment**

Please change or replace "Target Remediation Level" or "TRL" with "Cleanup Level" or "CUL."

# **Ecology Comment 2: Section 2.3 Cleanup Standards**

Table 1 and Table 2 can be combined with the most protective cleanup level for each contaminant being used in the table, and the title should be changed to "Soil Cleanup Levels." For the current Table 3, the title should be changed to "Groundwater Cleanup Levels." Please refer to the Excel file with cleanup level determinations sent by Ecology via email on March 26, 2025. The tables should be updated to reflect this content. Ecology welcomes further discussion on this section.

# Ecology Comment 3: Section 4.3 Cleanup Standards and Point of Compliance

Text reads: "The point of compliance for this remedy is soil and groundwater up to an average target depth of 15 feet bgs, which is the MTCA standard definition for shallow soils." Per WAC 173-340-720(8)(b),<sup>2</sup> the standard point of compliance for groundwater extends to the lowest most depth that could potentially be affected by the site, which may be deeper than 15 feet bgs.

# **Ecology Comment 4: Section 4.7 Schedule for Implementation**

Update, as necessary, based on additional pilot testing to be completed this spring/summer.

Please contact me at 509-907-1353 or Rachel.Caron@ecy.wa.gov if you require any clarification of these comments or have further questions.

Sincerely, Rodu Ca

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> https://app.leg.wa.gov/wac/default.aspx?cite=173-340-720