DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY
State of Washington

International Paper and the Port of Longview:

2026 Cleanup Documents Ready for Review and Comment



Aerial View of Historic Site

Comments Accepted
November 16 –
December 18, 2026

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Site Cleanup ID: 3685

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Ecology invites your comments on draft cleanup documents for International Paper's Maintenance Facility Area at the Port of Longview. The facility is located at 10 International Way in Longview, Washington 98632.

Public Comment Period and Meeting

The **public comment period** is open from November 16 at 12:00 a.m. to December 18 at 11:59 p.m., 2026.

A public meeting will be held if there is significant public interest. Public notice of a meeting will be circulated 30 days in advance.

Documents Available for Review

- **Draft Consent Decree:** Explains the cleanup requirements for the site and who is responsible. Ecology is proposing to add the Port of Longview as a signatory and cleanup partner.
- **Draft Exhibit D to the Consent Decree:** Explains the documents and process required to conduct the cleanup and the schedule that the partners must follow.
- **Draft Public Participation Plan:** Encourages community involvement in the cleanup process.

Visit ecology.wa.gov/Intl-Paper-Comment to view the documents.

We Want to Hear From You!

We invite you to review and comment on the cleanup documents.

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Site Background



International Paper treated wood products at the site for more than 40 years. From 1937 to 1982, wood treatment operations occurred in the Treated Wood Products (TWP) Area next to the Maintenance Facility Area (MFA).

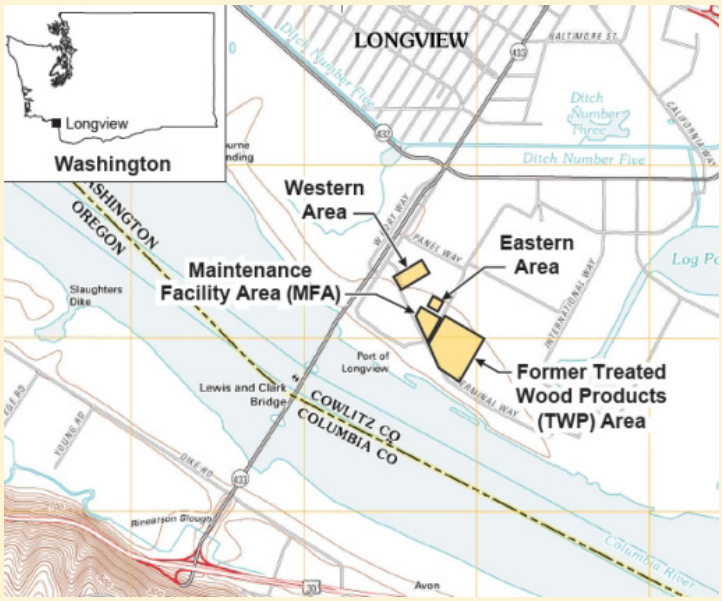
Between 1947 and 1953, these operations sent liquid wastes from the northwest portion of the TWP Area through a trench that extended northwest through the area now identified as the MFA. The practices and chemicals used to treat wood led to contamination of the surrounding soil and groundwater within the MFA.

Contamination and Cleanup

In 1985, International Paper dug up contaminated soils from areas in the TWP Area. The contaminated soil was sent to a permitted treatment, storage, and disposal facility (TSD).

Nearly all structures in the TWP Area (buildings, tanks, and related hardware) were removed or capped as part of closure activities and cleanup.

Soil and groundwater in and near the MFA are contaminated with dangerous chemicals. About 6,470 cubic yards of soil are contaminated with diesel-range organics, polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs), and pentachlorophenol (PCP). Groundwater is contaminated with the same chemicals.



International Paper Facility Map

About the Cleanup Action Plan

The Cleanup Action Plan describes the steps to clean up the contamination at the site. It was finalized in 2021.

This Cleanup Action Plan was prepared by Ecology in collaboration with International Paper Company. It meets the requirements of Washington State's Model Toxics Control Act, describes the cleanup actions, and sets the requirements for the cleanup.

Scan the QR code to read the Cleanup Action Plan.



Site Updates

Ecology is proposing to update the Consent Decree to add the Port of Longview as a signatory. This update would add the Port of Longview as a new partner in the cleanup work with International Paper.

We invite the public to review the updated Consent Decree and share comments with us.

How to Submit Comments

To submit your comments, questions, or concerns about any of the proposed permit documents, visit Ecology's eComments page: ecology.wa.gov/Intl-Paper-Comment.

In-person document review is available at:

Ecology's Southwest Region Office
300 Desmond Drive SE
Lacey, Washington 98503
(360) 407-6300

Longview Public Library
1600 Louisiana Street
Longview, Washington 98632
(360) 442-5300

You can also view the documents online at: ecology.wa.gov/Intl-Paper-Comment.

What Happens Next?

Once the public comment period ends, we'll review and consider all comments. The documents may change based on your comments. When new documents are available, we'll notify you about additional public comment periods.

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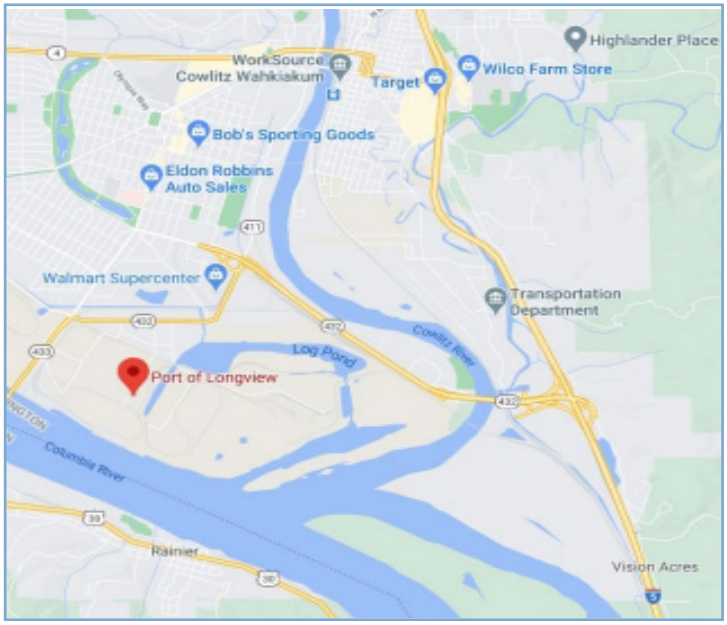
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Join the Discussion!



International Paper Site

International Paper Draft Cleanup Documents Available

Ecology seeks your comments on a draft Consent Decree and draft Public Participation Plan for the International Paper complex in Longview, Washington.

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