

Proposed Removal from the Hazardous Sites List Available for Public Review and Comment

Ecology is proposing to remove the Alexander Farms Site, located at 179101 West King Tull Road in Benton County, Washington, from its Hazardous Sites List. The Hazardous Sites List is a statewide list of contaminated properties. The Site is currently ranked a "2" on the list. Sites can be ranked from "1" to "5." A rank of "1" is the highest level of environmental concern compared to other sites on the list, and a rank of "5" is the lowest.

Site Background

In April 1998, Ecology responded to complaints of yellow water coming from two domestic wells in the vicinity of the Alexander Farms site. Ecology determined that the soil and groundwater at the site was contaminated with Dinoseb, a herbicide that was banned from use by the USEPA in 1986.

Cleanup Actions

Between 1998 and 2005, approximately 15,000 tons of Dinoseb contaminated soil was excavated from the site. The soil, which was acting as the source of ground water contamination, was hauled to a licensed disposal facility in Arlington, Oregon.

Between 2005 and 2008, 14 ground water monitoring wells were sampled quarterly (every 3 months) and analyzed until the ground water in all the wells remained below cleanup levels for Dinoseb for eight consecutive quarters (2 years). As of January 2008, the ground water from all 14 wells had tested below cleanup levels for two years.

Based upon review of the Cleanup Action Reports and 11 years of data, Ecology has determined the site is no longer a threat to human health and the environment and proposes to remove the site from the Hazardous Sites List.

Public Comment Invited

Ecology is asking for your comments on the proposed removal of the Site from the Hazardous Sites List.

You are invited to:

- **Review** the Soil Cleanup Completion Report and Groundwater Cleanup Completion Report.
- **Send** your comments to Ecology for consideration. Comments will be accepted *April 8, 2009 through May 8, 2009*.

See the box at the right for details.

Comments Accepted

April 8, 2009 through May 8, 2009

Submit Comments and Technical Questions to:

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DOCUMENT REVIEW LOCATIONS

Bleyhl Community Library

311 Division
Grandview WA 98930
Phone: (509) 882-9217

Hours:

Monday	1:30 pm – 8:00 pm
Tuesday:	1:30 pm – 8:00 pm
Wednesday:	1:30 pm – 8:00 pm
Thursday:	10:00 am – 12:00 pm 1:30 pm – 5:30 pm
Friday:	1:30 pm – 5:30 pm
Saturday:	1:30 pm – 5:30 pm
Sunday:	closed

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By appointment only:

Contact Roger Johnson,
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Ecology's Toxics Cleanup Website

http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/tcp/sites/alex/alexFarms_hp.html

Facility Site ID #: 23975611

