

Toxics Cleanup Program

May 2013

Agreed Order and Draft Cleanup Plan Available for Review and Comment

The Department of Ecology (Ecology) would like your comments on proposed cleanup plans for Hambleton Bros Log Yard. The site is located at 335 S. A Street, in Washougal (see map on page 3).

The following documents are available for review:

- **Focused Site Assessment Report**—Describes the nature and extent of contamination and evaluates cleanup options.
- **Draft Cleanup Action Plan (draft CAP)**—Describes the proposed cleanup and how it meets Ecology's cleanup standards.
- **Agreed Order**—Legal agreement between Ecology and the Port of Camas Washougal (port). Requires the port to carry out the CAP.

Ecology Wants Your Input!

Ecology is asking for your comments on these documents. **From May 28 through June 26, 2013**, you are invited to:

- **Review** these documents at the locations listed to the right.
- **Send** your comments to Ecology for review.
- **Attend** a public meeting on **June 11, 2013** (see back of this fact sheet).

Site History

A lumber mill operated on the property from about 1948 to 2010. At one time, the property contained an equipment shop, a chemical storage shed, a house, a mill, a debarker, an aggregate recycling yard and a planer building.

The debarker burned to the ground in 2009. The mill closed in 2010. The port has removed the other structures since then.

Site Investigation

Environmental assessments and investigations were completed at the site from 2002 through 2009. The port sampled soil and groundwater, as well as Columbia River sediment.

In 2006, Hambleton conducted a site assessments which found hazardous substances in the soil and groundwater. Notified of this investigation, Ecology added the site to the Confirmed and Suspected Contaminated Sites list in 2008.

Comments Accepted

May 28–June 26, 2013

Submit Comments and Technical Questions to:

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Public Involvement Questions:

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DOCUMENT REVIEW LOCATIONS

Washougal Community Library
1661 C Street
Washougal, WA 98671
Phone: (360) 835-5393
Camas Public Library
625 NE 4th Avenue
Camas, WA 98607
Phone: (360) 834-4692

WA Department of Ecology
Southwest Regional Office
300 Desmond Drive SE
Lacey, WA 98503

By appointment only:
Contact Susie Baxter,
Susan.Baxter@ecy.wa.gov or
(360) 407-6365

Ecology's Hambleton Cleanup website:

[https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/gsp/
Sitepage.aspx?csid=2482](https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/gsp/Sitepage.aspx?csid=2482)

Facility Site ID #: 4399598



Hambleton Bros Log Yard

Contamination

Contaminants that the port found above state cleanup levels in soil include:

- Total petroleum hydrocarbons
- Carcinogenic polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (cPAHs)
- Poly-chlorinated biphenyls (PCBs)
- Lead
- Mercury

Investigators did not find contamination from the site in Columbia River sediment. They did find slightly elevated levels of petroleum hydrocarbons in groundwater near the log pond.

How Will the Site be Cleaned Up?

The port will:

- Pump out and dispose of any liquid, if present, from the log pond,
- Place impacted soil from other areas of the site in the empty log pond. This soil is now stockpiled in the **aggregate** recycling area.
Impacted soil is contaminated but suitable for fill.
- Level out the log pond with uncontaminated soil taken from other site areas.
- Cap the log pond, former mill area and **aggregate** recycling area with a two-foot layer of imported, clean fill. Concrete and the materials used to make it are an example of **aggregate**.
- Carry out long-term, groundwater monitoring.

- Place a restrictive covenant on the property to ensure that groundwater will not be used for drinking purposes. It will also ensure that contaminated soil stays contained in the log pond.

Why This Cleanup Matters

Petroleum chemicals, cPAHs, PCBs and heavy metals are toxic to human health and the environment. Cleaning up this site will protect groundwater and surface water and allow humans to safely use the property.

Ecology Funds Investigation and Cleanup

In 2011, Ecology gave the port a \$200,000 integrated planning grant. The grant funded investigation of contamination and cleanup options.

For the 2013-15 period, the port will receive a \$300,000 remedial action grant from Ecology to help with cleanup costs.

What Happens Next?

Ecology will study and respond to any comments received during the comment period. The port will begin cleanup after the Agreed Order is final.



Log pond at the Hambleton Brothers mill site in operation (2009).



Hambleton Bros Log Yard

Hambleton Bros Site Location



Legend

- Site boundary
- Log pond
- Former mill
- Aggregate recycling





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Please recycle.

Hambleton Bros Log Yard Clark County, WA

**Ecology Seeks Public Comment
on a draft Cleanup Action Plan
and legal agreement for cleanup**

Public Comment Period:

May 28–June 26, 2013

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Public Meeting Wednesday, June 11, 2013

**June 11 from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
Port of Camas-Washougal
Commission Meeting Room
24 S. A Street, Washougal
(360) 835-2196**

Join us to hear more about the cleanup of the Hambleton Bros Log Yard site.

**6:30 - 7:00 p.m. Open House
7:00 - 8:00 p.m. Presentation
Question and Answer Session
8:00 - 8:30 p.m. Open House**

Ecology staff will be available to answer your questions one-on-one during open house sessions. Light refreshments will be served.