

Proposed Removal from the Hazardous Sites List

The Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) wants you to comment on a plan to remove the Bird's Eye Foods site from the Hazardous Sites List. The owners cleaned up the site under the Voluntary Cleanup Program. Ecology studied the cleanup and determined that:

- The site is no longer a threat to human health or the environment.
- The cleanup actions meet state cleanup standards.
- No further action is required.

Ecology Wants Your Comments

Ecology invites you to review and comment on the proposed removal. The comment period runs from **August 12 through September 10, 2013**. You can find site documents at locations listed to the right.

Site Background

The site is located at 3303 S. 35th Street in Tacoma. Nalley Fine Foods began food processing there in the early 1940s. Bird's Eye, Inc. stopped all business operations there in 2011. Some buildings remain.

In 1990, two underground storage tanks were removed from an area in the southwest corner of the property. Nearby soil and groundwater were contaminated by petroleum products.

Site Cleanup

In 1991, the owner began removing nearly 875 cubic yards of polluted soil. This work stopped when nearby structures were threatened.

Soil and groundwater contamination from petroleum products are still at the site. Soil contamination is steadily declining due to natural processes. Petroleum levels in groundwater have been below state cleanup standards since 2007.

Controls in the form of long-term groundwater monitoring are in place to make sure that contamination does not pose a health or environmental hazards.



What is the Hazardous Sites List?

The Hazardous Sites List includes sites that have been assessed for their potential risk to human health and the environment. The degree of risk determines the rank from 1 - 5; 1 is the highest.

Ecology ranked the Bird's Eye Foods site a 2.

Comments Accepted

August 12—September 10, 2013

Send Comments and Technical Questions to:

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Ecology's Bird's Eye Foods Cleanup website

<https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/gsp/Sitepage.aspx?csid=5012>

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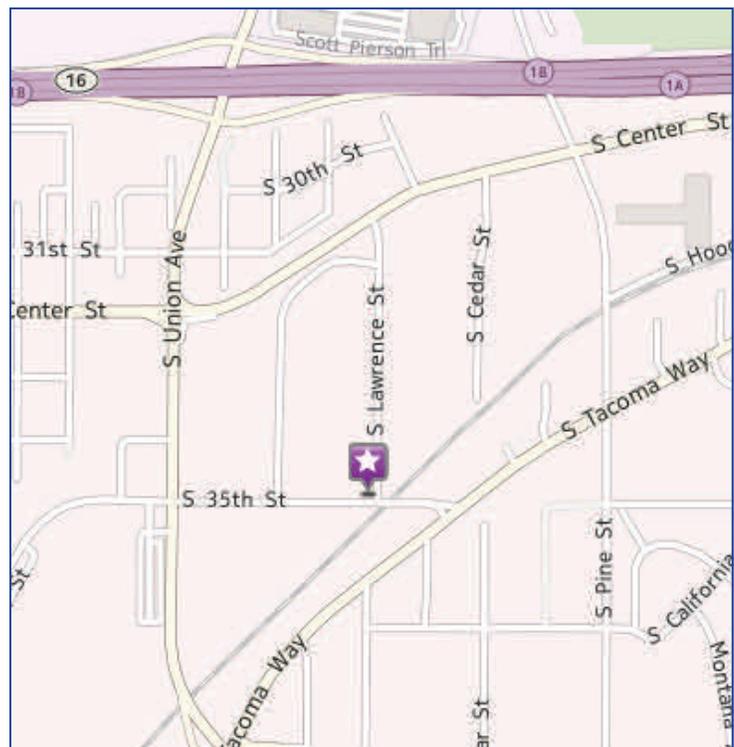
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Bird's Eye Foods site, 3303 S. 35th Street, Tacoma.