# **Public Comment Notice**



## **Hazardous Waste and Toxics Reduction Program**

September 2013

# **Ecology Seeks Public Comment** on Hazardous Waste Closure Plan at Kaiser Trentwood Site

The Kaiser Trentwood Site (Kaiser) is located at 15000 East Euclid in Spokane Valley, Spokane County, Washington. The facility was built in 1942 by the U. S. Government Defense Plant Corporation to produce aluminum for World War II aircraft. In 1946, Kaiser leased the facility and in 1949 purchased it along with the property. It now operates as an aluminum sheet, plate, and coil rolling mill.

Kaiser is required to meet RCRA<sup>1</sup> closure requirements for all hazardous waste management units. The closure requirements ensure all hazardous wastes are removed and properly managed, and any contamination is cleaned up. Ecology is currently seeking public comment to finalize the 2010 Closure Plan (Plan) revised in August 2013.

## **Submitting Questions and Comments**

Ecology invites you to review the Closure Plan at the locations listed in the side panel on the right. Questions and comments about the Closure Plan will be accepted September 4 through October 4, 2013. Comments must be postmarked or hand-delivered to Lori Rodriguez by October 4, 2013. Lori's contact information is in the side panel on the right.

# **Public Hearing**

Ecology will conduct a public hearing on this Closure Plan if we receive five or more requests. To request a hearing or special accommodations, contact Lori Rodriguez no later than September 30, 2013. To find out if a public hearing will be held, contact her after September 30, 2013.

#### **Comment Period**

### September 4, 2013 through October 4, 2013

# Submit questions or comments to:

Lori Rodriguez WA Department of Ecology Hazardous Waste and Toxics Reduction Program N. 4601 Monroe Spokane, WA 99205 Phone: 509-329-3449

E-mail: Irod461@ecy.wa.gov

Mail or hand-deliver comments to the Ecology address listed below.

Review Pertinent Documents between 9 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. at:

#### **Department of Ecology**

Hazardous Waste and Toxics Reduction Program N. 4601 Monroe Spokane, WA 99205 Contact Kari Johnson for an appointment at 509-329-3415

#### Or:

# Spokane Valley Public Library

12004 East Main Spokane Valley, WA 99216 Phone: 509-893-8400

#### Ecology's websites:

https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/gsp/Sitepage.aspx?csid=7093

www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/h wtr/foia/index.html

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Resource Conservation and Recovery Act

# **Facility Background**

In 1980, Kaiser submitted a Part A permit application to become a RCRA interim status treatment, storage, and disposal facility. Both state and federal regulations require a facility having interim status to submit a detailed permit application for their "final status" permit. Kaiser chose to discontinue operating all interim status hazardous waste handling units (RCRA Units) instead of seeking a final status permit.

As an "interim status" facility Kaiser is required to meet RCRA closure requirements for all RCRA Units. Kaiser identified ten RCRA Units subject to closure requirements. All of these units ceased operating by 1991. Most of the tanks and equipment associated with the RCRA Units were removed by 1991. Varying degrees of cleanup occurred at the time of removal.

The Recovered Oil Storage Tank was removed in 2008. No additional actions are planned for the Spent Solvent Storage Tank (Coater Line), removed in 1990. For the RCRA Units listed below, investigation and remediation of soil or groundwater is included in Agreed Order No. 2692 between Ecology and Kaiser. Ecology's Toxic's Cleanup Program has oversight for the Order under the Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA). Public comment is included in the MTCA process.

- Waste Oil Storage Tank (Oil House), Removed, 1990
- Hoffman Filter Feed Tank, Removed, 1991

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- Hoffman Filter Filtrate Tank, Removed, 1991 est.
- Recovered Oil Filtration Unit (Hoffman Filter), Removed, 1991
- Recovered Oil Storage Tank (South Field Constructed Tank), Removed, 2008

The three RCRA Units listed below have not been completely removed or previously remediated. The 2010 Closure Plan, revised August 2013 (Arcadis, August 2013) addresses removal and remediation for these RCRA Units.

- 1. The **Container Storage Area** (CSA) is a concrete pad that was used to store dangerous waste in 55-gallon drums. Wastes included, paint, chlorinated and non-chlorinated solvents, and chromic acid solution. The CSA was taken out of service sometime after 1992 but before 1996. The pad will be inspected, cleaned, removed, and sampled to determine proper off-site disposal. The soil underlying the pad will also be sampled. Soil that does not meet MTCA cleanup levels will be removed and disposed of off-site.
- 2. The **Solvent Tank Storage Area** (TSA) contained two 10,000 gallon above ground tanks, which held waste oil and solvent. The two tanks were removed in 1990 or 1991. Plans for removal of the concrete containment structure and remediation of any contamination are the same as described above for the CSA.
  - Some of the vertical concrete walls of the CSA and TSA containment structures function as retaining walls and might not be removed. If they remain, cleaning and sampling of these walls will be necessary to fulfill closure requirements.
- 3. The **Wastewater Surge Pond** was designed as overflow storage for chromium-containing wastewater from the on-site wastewater treatment plant. Use of the 50,000 gallon, polyethylene lined pond was discontinued in approximately 1986. Closure of the pond will include removal, sampling, and disposal of stormwater, sludge, dirt, and debris in the pond; cleaning, inspection, and disposal of the liner; sampling the underlying soil; and removal and off-site disposal of soil contaminated above MTCA cleanup levels.

Kaiser expects to complete the work for the three RCRA units addressed in the Plan over the course of the next two years. Final "clean closure" for the entire site will require completion of all work in the 2010 Closure Plan, revised August 2013, work under Agreed Order No. 2692, and any subsequent MTCA orders.

#### For more information

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Contact Lori Rodriguez. Her contact information is in the side panel on page one. You may also visit Ecology's Hazardous Waste website at: <a href="www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/hwtr/foia/index.html">www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/hwtr/foia/index.html</a> or Ecology's Toxics Cleanup website for Kaiser Trentwood at <a href="https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/gsp/Sitepage.aspx?csid=7093">https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/gsp/Sitepage.aspx?csid=7093</a>.



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Kaiser Trentwood Spokane Valley, Washington

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## **Special Accommodations**

If you need this document in a version for the visually impaired call the Hazardous Waste and Toxics Reduction Program at 509-329-3400.

Persons with hearing loss, call 711 for Washington Relay Service. Persons with a speech disability, call 877-833-6341.

If you request a public hearing and have a special accommodation need, contact Lori Rodriguez by September 30, 2013, at 509-329-3449 for assistance.