



### What's happening in your neighborhood?

Ecology's contractor, Wyser Construction, Inc. began cleanup work at the 10 homes located on the east side of Bridgeway in Everett, WA on May 21, 2007. The cleanup will remove and dispose of accessible soil contaminated with arsenic and lead. Soil is accessible if it is not under the house, paved driveways and walkways, or patios. All accessible contaminated soil with arsenic levels above 20 mg/Kg that is within one foot of the surface will be removed and replaced with clean topsoil. Below one foot, all accessible contaminated soil that has arsenic above certain specified levels will be removed and replaced with clean backfill (see page 2 for definition) and topsoil. The yard restoration will include sod lawns, landscape plant replacements, building or reconstructing walls, and restoring fences. As properties are completed, Ecology will have a final inspection with the owner.

### How long will this cleanup last?

The Everett Smelter Cleanup is estimated to be completed by the end of November 2007. The cleanup work will take place during the **daytime from 7:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. on weekdays.**

### Cleanup Activities for Nov. 12 - 23, 2007



### Cleanup work for November 12 - 23, 2007

- November 12<sup>th</sup>, Veterans Day, and November 22<sup>nd</sup>, Thanksgiving Day, and November 23<sup>rd</sup> are holidays and no workers will be on site those last 3 days.
- Setup and complete final inspections with the homeowners.
- Finish completing punch list items for all properties the week of November 12-16, 2007 except for fencing restoration at 109 and 205 which will be completed by a fencing subcontractor the following week. A punch list is a list of items needing attention by the contractor prior to receiving final payment.

### Status Update-Cleanup at all 10 properties

All major restoration work is complete. Ecology and the contractors will schedule a final walk-through with the homeowner.

- 109 Bridgeway – Major restoration work is complete; retaining walls, planter strips and gravel placement are finished. Replacement plants have been provided to the homeowner who has elected to plant them himself. Fence replacement remains to be completed.
- 115, 207, 209, 223, 225, and 229 Bridgeway – Restoration work is complete.
- 201 Bridgeway – Major restoration work has been completed. All that remains in the front and backyards are the installation of the animal barriers around the deck areas.
- 205 Bridgeway – Backyard restoration work is nearly complete; fencing and animal barrier around the deck area remain to be completed. 215 Bridgeway – Restoration work is nearly complete; two punch list items remain.

## Will there be someone to answer my immediate concerns?

Yes, Ecology has contracted Glen Vadera with Science Applications International Corporation (SAIC) to be the on-site coordinator. He will represent Ecology during the daily field activities. Any immediate concerns may be presented to Glen Vadera, who will then communicate them to Jerome Cruz.

**Contact information for the on-site  
Field Coordinator**  
Glen Vadera  
SAIC Coordinator  
(206) 271-4691

## Ecology keeping you informed

This is the 13<sup>th</sup> in a series of newsletters Ecology will produce. Ecology will update this newsletter regularly to inform the neighborhood about the current status of the soil cleanup along the east side of Bridgeway in Everett, Washington. Ecology will contact the next set of homeowners before cleanup work begins on their property.

### For more information about Ecology's cleanup, please contact:

Department of Ecology  
Attn: Jerome Cruz  
Toxics Cleanup Program  
3190 160<sup>th</sup> Ave SE  
Bellevue, WA 98008  
(425) 649-7094  
Email: [jcru461@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:jcru461@ecy.wa.gov)

## Definitions

**Geofabric:** A textile that is placed in the excavation which underlies the clean sandy fill. The geofabric acts as a warning that contaminated soil remains underneath it. The geofabric allows water to drain through it.

**Backfill:** Clean sandy material used to fill in the excavation. For most of these yards, a layer of topsoil is placed above it to allow for the installation of lawns or planting strips.

**Animal Barrier:** Decks that remain in place must be enclosed to prevent access by animals such as rats beneath the deck. Usually, the barrier will consist of wood lattice backed by galvanized hardware cloth.