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June 6, 2014

Ms. Jenifer Hill
Washington State Department of Transportation
Environmental Services Office
Hazardous Materials & Solid Waste Program
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Olympia, WA 98501

Re: No Further Action Determination for:

- **Site Name:** WA DOT Rimrock Maintenance Site
- **Site Address:** Highway 12 & Hwy 410
- **Facility/Site No.:** 540
- **Cleanup Site No.:** 4941

Dear Ms. Hill:

The Department of Ecology (Ecology) has reviewed all information about this site and concluded a "no further action" determination (under the Model Toxics Control Act, chapter 70.105D RCW) is appropriate. Please review the enclosed attachment for details about how Ecology reached this conclusion.

Ecology will update its database to reflect this "No Further Action" determination. The site will not appear in future publications of the Confirmed & Suspected Contaminated Sites Report. Ecology will also initiate the process to remove the site from the Hazardous Sites List. This process does include a thirty (30) day public comment period.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 509-454-7836.

Sincerely,

John Mefford
Cleanup Project Manager
Toxics Cleanup Program
Central Regional Office

Enclosure: Department Decision Request

cc: Mr. Norm Payton, HQ Stormwater and Environmental Policy Manager
Mr. Jason Smith, WSDOT South Central Region - Environmental Services
Mr. Phil Nugent, WSDOT South Central Region - Acting Facility Manager



Department Decision Recommendation

RE: Facility/Site #540

Site: WA DOT Rimrock Maintenance City: Naches County: Yakima

In keeping with the requirement of WAC 173-340-310 (5)(d)(ii), I recommend this Site receive a **No Further Action** determination. A release of a hazardous substance has occurred, but in the department's judgment, does not pose a threat to human health or the environment.

Supporting Criteria: In 1991, a release (containing diesel- and gasoline-range organics, benzene, ethylbenzene, toluene, and xylenes) was discovered during the decommissioning of two underground storage tanks (USTs) and a quantity of soil was removed during an interim cleanup action. In 1995 and 1996, additional contaminated soils were excavated after demolition of a building adjacent to the former tank nest. The final soil cleanup action removed soil contamination to below regulatory levels as indicated by confirmational samples. Approximately 80 cubic yards of contaminated soils were excavated during the 1995 remedial action and approximately 1,100 cubic yards were removed during the 1996 remedial action.

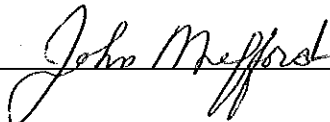
In 1997, four monitoring wells were installed. Sampling occurred in 1997 and 1998. Although there were relatively minor detections of contaminants in October, April and August, the analytical results showed the absence of impact at MTCA Method A groundwater compliance levels. The groundwater at the Site is in compliance based on Stage 2 monitoring of the Ecology guidance document, publ. no. 10-09-047, Sept 2011 (groundwater contamination found but below cleanup levels).

TEE: The Terrestrial Ecological Evaluation in MTCA was not promulgated until 2001, so this procedure is not applicable for this Site. However, the soil contamination was removed to within compliance levels and much of the former area of concern is covered by pavement (Highway 12) and associated right-of-way as shown on the aerial photograph of the site (see Site Review Summary).

Stockpiles: The contaminated soils were stockpiled and land farmed either onsite or offsite (WSDOT Union Gap District office). Confirmational samples showed that the contaminant concentrations of the various land farmed soils were consistent with Category 3 soils. A letter dated October 1, 1996 from the Yakima Health District approved the Category 3 soils for reuse in roadside maintenance projects subject to certain restrictions.

This Department Decision Recommendation should be reviewed and re-evaluated based on any new information about these sites.

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DATE: May 28, 2014

Valerie Bound
Section Manager

DATE: 6-2-14