

# **Cenex Bulk Plant Harvest States Moses Lake Site**

## **Toxics Cleanup Program**

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# **Ecology Proposes to Remove Site from Hazardous Sites List**

The Washington Department of Ecology proposes to remove the Cenex Bulk Plant Harvest States Moses Lake site from the Hazardous Sites List. Ecology's Hazardous Sites List contains a list of contaminated sites throughout Washington State that have been evaluated and ranked. A rank of 1 indicates the greatest potential threat to human health and the environment and a rank of 5 the least potential threat. The site ranked a 2 based on petroleum contamination in soil and groundwater.

The site is located at 1015 East Broadway in Moses Lake, Grant County, Washington (see Figure 1). The site is currently used as a bulk fuel and lubricant facility. It includes above ground storage tanks, product piping and fuel dispensers for retail sale. A warehouse on-site is used to store drums of bulk lubricating products.

Several steps have been taken at the site to clean up soil and groundwater contamination. Cleanup criterion has been met over an extended period of monitoring since 1991, and Ecology now proposes removing the site from the Hazardous Sites List.

#### You are Invited to Comment

There are no specific documents to review as part of this comment period. However, if you would like to look at the files they are in Ecology's office in Spokane. The address and review information is in the box on the right.

**Send** your comments about the proposed delisting to Patti Carter at Ecology for consideration. Comments will be accepted **September 9 through October 8, 2014**. The shaded box at the right has details about where to review documents and submit comments.

#### **Site Overview**

A facility was built at the site in the 1950s to store fuel and lubricants. Phillips Petroleum operated the facility until 1978 when Western Farmers Association bought it. Cenex bought the property in 1989.

Contaminated soil was found in 1991 during upgrades to the fuel lines that ran from the bulk plant to the pump island. Contaminated soil was removed from the trench where excavation for the new fuel lines occurred.

#### **Comments Accepted**

# September 9 through October 8, 2014

For **ADA** accommodations or documents in an alternate format call Carol Bergin 509/329-3546, 711 (relay service), or 877-833-6341 (TTY).

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#### **Document Review Locations**

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#### **Ecology's Toxics Cleanup Website**

https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/gsp/ Sitepage.aspx?csid=1913

Facility Site ID No. 607 Cleanup Site ID No. 1913 In 2004 contaminated soil was found during upgrades to fuel storage and dispensing equipment. Nearly 783 tons of contaminated soil was removed from the property. Seven groundwater monitoring wells were installed between 2004 and 2005.

Groundwater sampling in 2004 and 2005 did not meet state standards for petroleum product. Groundwater sampling showed improvement due to the removal of contaminated soil in 2004.

A new stormwater management system was installed in 2009 and additional contaminated soil was removed. Groundwater sampling continued through 2012. Results from the final four quarters met state standards. As a result of the cleanup work conducted at the site a "No Further Action" determination has been issued. The site now qualifies for removal from Ecology's Hazardous Sites List.

### Removal from Ecology's Hazardous Sites List

Under MTCA, Ecology may remove a site from the Hazardous Sites List if the cleanup actions have been completed and compliance with cleanup standards has been achieved. These criteria have been met; therefore, Ecology is proposing to remove the site from the Hazardous Sites List.

#### Criteria that has been met:

- Cleanup levels have been met for petroleum contamination in soil.
- Groundwater monitoring from the last four consecutive quarters all met state standards.
- The cleanup actions comply with the Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA) cleanup standards for soil and groundwater.
- Sufficient monitoring has been done to demonstrate the remedy has effectively addressed contamination in soils and groundwater.
- All performance monitoring has been completed.

## **What Happens Next?**

Ecology will review, consider, and respond to all comments received by **October 8, 2014**. Modifications to the delisting may be made if appropriate. If no modifications are made, the site will be removed from Ecology's Hazardous Sites List in February 2015.

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Figure 1 Site Map

Cenex Bulk Plant Harvest States Moses Lake Site

