



## **Toxics Cleanup Program**

**April 2011**

# **Agreed Order for City of Bothell Former Hertz Site Available for Public Review and Comment**

The Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) prepared this fact sheet to provide you with information about the Bothell Former Hertz Cleanup Site (Site). It is also known as AA Rentals of Bothell. This property is generally located at 18030 Bothell Way NE, Bothell, WA.

In May 2011, Ecology and the City of Bothell (Bothell) will enter into an Agreed Order. Under the proposed Agreed Order, Bothell agrees to complete the following actions at the Bothell Former Hertz Site. These actions are the following:

- Prepare a draft and final Remedial Investigation/ Feasibility Study (RI/FS) Work Plan for the Site.
- Perform the Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study (RI/FS). The RI/FS will define the nature and extent of contamination in soil and groundwater at this Site.
- Prepare a draft and final RI/FS report for the Site, which will present the results of the investigation and evaluate the cleanup alternatives.
- Prepare a Draft Cleanup Action Plan (DCAP).

**Comments Accepted**  
**April 4, 2011 through May 4, 2011**

### **Submit Comments and Technical Questions to:**

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**Ecology's Toxics Cleanup Website**  
[http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/tcp/sites/Bothell\\_Former\\_Hertz/Bothell\\_Former\\_Hertz\\_hp.html](http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/tcp/sites/Bothell_Former_Hertz/Bothell_Former_Hertz_hp.html)

NOTE: Ecology's Toxics Cleanup website addresses will change in the near future.

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**Cleanup ID #: 7906**

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In the future, a report presenting the results of the draft RI/FS and draft CAP will be prepared and made available to the public.

Ecology has also prepared a Public Participation Plan for the Site. The plan will describe the tools and approaches that will be used to inform the public, request comments, and engage them in the cleanup process.

Now, Ecology invites comments on the proposed Agreed Order and draft Public Participation Plan. Please send your written comments to Jerome Cruz, Site Manager from April 4 to May 4, 2011.

### Site Background

The property is an approximately rectangular lot bounded by Bothell Way Northeast to the north and Northeast 180<sup>th</sup> Street to the south (see map on page 3).

The property had been developed since 1918 until the summer of 2010, when Bothell demolished buildings on the Site for its SR 522 Bothell Crossroads realignment project. Past use of the property included automobile repair and dealerships, fueling, and equipment rental. Before the property was purchased by Bothell in 2009, it contained a Hertz equipment rental office, storage yard, and equipment repair shop.

The Site contained a building that was used as an automobile dealership. A petroleum company is listed as a lessee of the property in the 1930s. A former building at the northeast corner of the property was associated with an automobile dealer, and according to historic sources, included a gasoline dispensing facility. Underground Storage Tanks (USTs) were used at the property, and three USTs were removed from the property in 1993. Petroleum-affected soils were encountered during the UST removals, and an

unknown quantity of affected soils remained at the property underneath buildings.

In 2008, Bothell conducted Phase I and Phase II Environmental Site Assessments (ESAs) at the Site prior to its purchase of this and adjoining properties.

The 2008 Phase II ESA included soil and ground water sampling where three former USTs had been removed in 1993. Petroleum hydrocarbons were detected in soil and ground water exceeding state cleanup standards. Vinyl chloride and volatile organic compounds (VOCs) were detected at concentrations exceeding state cleanup standards in ground water samples.

Other VOCs were detected in groundwater at the time, including tetrachloroethene and trichloroethene. The concentrations were below state cleanup standards. The VOCs detections in groundwater appear to be from suspected up-gradient sources. Arsenic was also detected in one well above cleanup levels.

In summer 2010, Bothell completed an independent interim action at the Site to remove approximately 12,000 tons of soils contaminated with mostly oil petroleum hydrocarbons from former underground storage tanks. Some limited remedial investigation was also conducted at that time.

### What Happens Next?

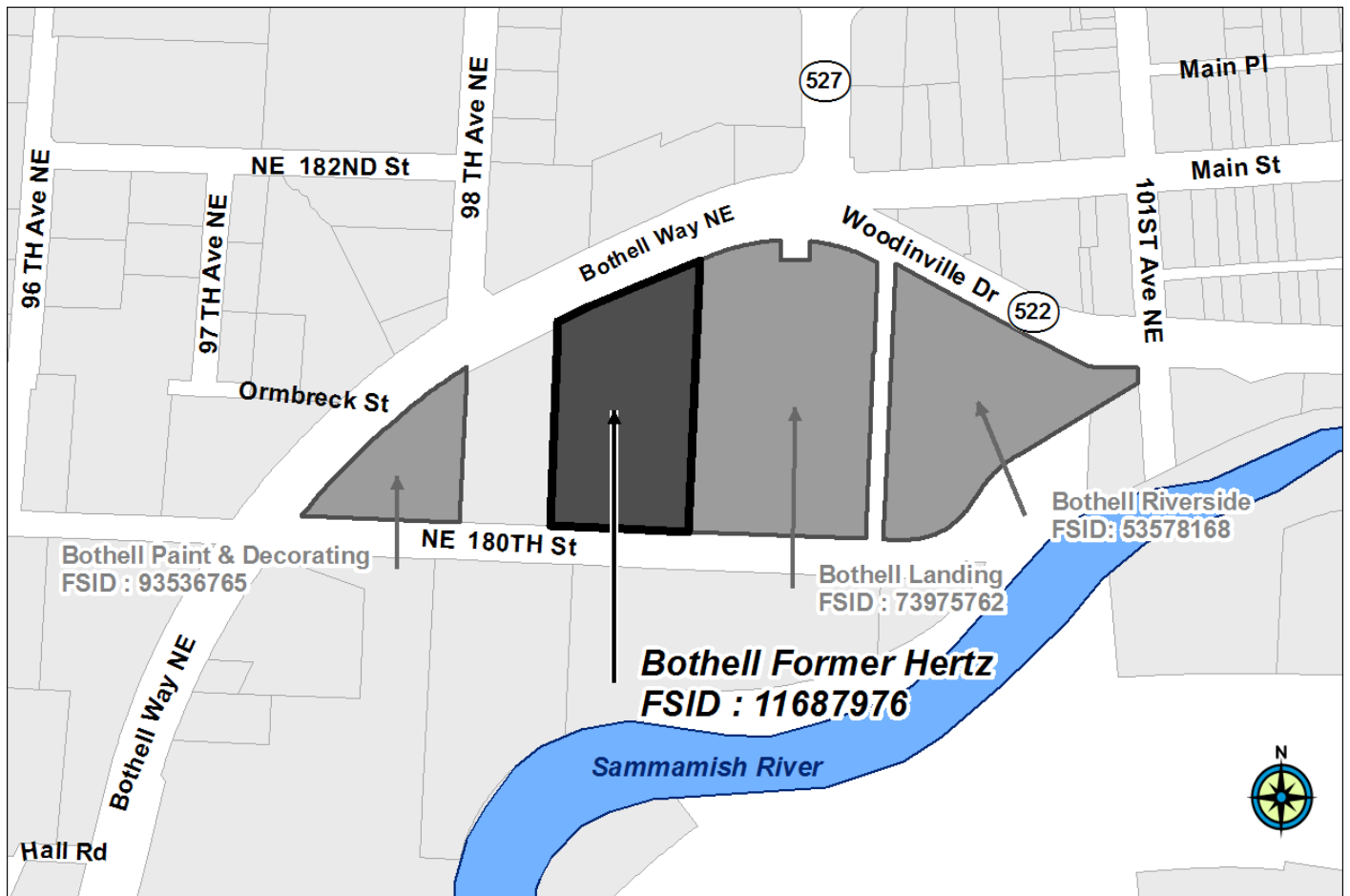
Following the comment period, Ecology will review all comments and make recommendations for any suggested changes. If no significant changes are necessary, the Agreed Order and Public Participation Plan will be final. If significant changes are recommended, then Ecology will conduct another public comment period to review these recommendations with

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you. A public meeting is not planned for this site, however, one will be held if ten or more people request a public meeting.

If you wish to be added to the mailing list for this site, please contact Nancy Lui by email at [nancy.lui@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:nancy.lui@ecy.wa.gov) or call (425) 649-7117. In the subject line, please indicate Bothell Former Hertz mailing list.

## Bothell Former Hertz Property Map

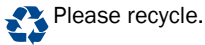




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Public Participation Plan**

**Public Comment Period: April 4 - May 4, 2011**

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