

Plan to Investigate Contamination Available for Public Comment

The Department of Ecology is investigating the Pederson Fryer Farms Inc. site at 2901 72nd Street East, Puyallup. Underground storage tanks at the former poultry processing plant leaked petroleum into soil and groundwater. Ecology is managing the cleanup process, which will be paid for by Pederson Fryer Farms' insurance company. Ecology's next steps include:

- A Remedial Investigation to determine the nature and extent of contamination.
- A Feasibility Study to evaluate possible cleanup options.

These tasks are outlined in a work plan. You can review and comment on the work plan from **April 21 to May 20, 2011**. The box on the right shows where to find the documents and submit your comments.

Why Cleanup Matters

Petroleum chemicals are toxic to human health and the environment. They can also threaten groundwater. Cleaning up the soil at this site will protect groundwater and allow humans to safely use the property.

Site Background

From 1948 to 1998, the site was a poultry processing plant. Pederson Fryer Farms operated the plant until 1996, when it declared bankruptcy. Foster Farms then ran the plant until 1998. The bankruptcy court sold the six parcels that make up the property to various owners.

Underground storage tanks at the poultry plant leaked diesel, oil, and gasoline into soil and groundwater. Pederson Fryer Farms began closing and removing some of these tanks in 1994. Some contaminated soil was removed at that time. Now Ecology must find the remaining contamination and look at cleanup options.

What Happens Next

Ecology will move forward with the work plan after considering and responding to public comments. After the investigation and feasibility study are done, Ecology will draft a cleanup plan. You will also be able to review and comment on the cleanup plan.

Comments Accepted

April 21 to May 20, 2011

Submit Comments and Technical Questions to:

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Ecology's Toxics Cleanup Web site

<http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/tcp/sites/PedersonFryerFarms/PedersonFryerFarms-hp.html>

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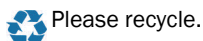




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