
Facilities North Site/Metro Lake Union
(former Chevron Bulk Plant #100-1327)



November 1998

Comment Period:
Nov. 25 to Jan. 5, 1998

Open House & Hearing:
Tuesday, December 8, 1998
The Good Shepherd Center
5:00 - 7:30 p.m. open house
7:30 meeting & public hearing

Consent Decree, Cleanup Action Plan and SEPA

The Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology), King County Metro Transit (Metro) and Chevron Products Company (Chevron) have prepared a draft Consent Decree and Cleanup Action Plan for the Facilities North/Metro Lake Union Site. The Consent Decree will be the legal agreement, approved and issued by Washington Superior Court, for the three parties to conduct the cleanup at the site. The Cleanup Action Plan is the description of the proposed cleanup actions to remove contamination at the site following the Model Toxics Control Act.

Also available for your review is the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) Determination of Non-Significance (DNS) and environmental checklist. Under SEPA any activity that could adversely impact the environment must be reviewed. Metro and Ecology have prepared an environmental checklist for the proposed cleanup actions and determined that they will not adversely effect the environment. This decision is called a Determination of Non-Significance.

Now is the Time to Comment

Ecology is currently accepting comments on the Consent Decree, Cleanup Action Plan, and the SEPA-DNS. These documents plus the Public Participation Plan are available for your review and comments through January 5, 1999 at the repositories listed in the box on the right.

An open house and public hearing will be held on Tuesday, December 8, 1998 at the Good Shepherd Center located at 4649 Sunnyside N. in the community of Wallingford. The open house from 5:00 to 7:30 p.m. will provide an opportunity for interested citizens to stop in and learn about the site. A presentation and question and answer period will

take place during the 7:30 hearing. You are invited to submit comments during the public hearing or by mail.

Site Background

The site is located along the north shore of Lake Union at 1602 N. Northlake Place in Seattle, Washington and has been known as the Metro Lake Union Site and Chevron Bulk Plant #1001327. Standard Oil of California began the bulk fueling terminal in 1925 and Metro, former King County Department of Metropolitan Services purchased the site in 1982. Metro continued operation until 1989. All tanks were drained and piping flushed and capped by April 1992. Now the facilities are used as a maintenance base.

The Proposed Cleanup

The proposed Cleanup Action Plan will be conducted under the Model Toxics Control Act (Chapter 173-340 WAC). The plan includes the following four tasks:

1. Demolition of the above ground petroleum storage tanks and associated structures and piping.
2. Excavation of the shallow soils contaminated with metals from sandblasting and painting operations.
3. Remediation of soil and ground water contaminated with petroleum hydrocarbons using peroxide injection and ground water monitoring.
4. Monitoring of ground water for petroleum hydrocarbons.

What Happens Next?

After this public comment period, Ecology will review all the comments submitted and will make recommendations for any suggested changes to the documents and proposed cleanup. Ecology will then prepare a summary of the comments and suggested changes. If substantive changes are recommended then there would be a second comment period. If no substantive changes are suggested, then the Consent Decree is recorded in Washington State Superior Court and cleanup action can begin.

The site cleanup is expected to begin in the summer of 1999 and to be completed by late 1999 with monitoring extended to 2002-4.

During Cleanup

During cleanup there may be construction impacts such as periods of increased traffic, noise and dust, specifically during tank demolition. These impacts are addressed in the SEPA Environmental Checklist. After cleanup, Metro will continue to use the facilities as a maintenance base.

ESTIMATED TIME LINE FOR FACILITIES NORTH SITE CLEANUP UNDER MODEL TOXICS CONTROL ACT

| | | | | | Comment Period #1 Interim Action Plan & SEPA Documents | | Comment Period #2 Consent Decree, Cleanup Plan & SEPA | | | |
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| | | | | | 4/98-5/98 | | 11/98-1/99 | | | |
| 8/91 | 11/93 | 6/95... | 12/96-98 | 4/98 | | 11/98 | | 1/99 | 1/99-4/99 | 99-2002/4 |
| Site Listed | Investigation R/I/F/S* | MTCA Cleanup Action Plan Started ... | Investigation** | Interim Action Plan & SEPA #1 Drafts | <i>Postponed to 1999</i> | Consent Decree, MTCA Cleanup Action Plan & SEPA #2 Drafts | | Finalize Consent Decree, MTCA CAP & SEPA #2 | MTCA Cleanup Design | MTCA Cleanup Completed & Compliance Monitoring Completed |



*R/I/F/S = Site characterization (Remedial Investigation) and Feasibility Study for Facilities North Site, Washington by Applied Geotechnology Inc, draft, November 1993.**Investigation = Quarterly Sampling by AGI, May 1995; Groundwater Sampling by AGI, Dec 1997; Environmental Assessment by Pacific Environmental Group, Inc, Aug 1997 and April 1998; Field Activities Report by Foster Wheeler Environmental Corp, April 1998; Cleanup Level Development by FWEC April 1998; and Draft Cleanup Action Plan by FWEC.

Review Site Related Documents at:

Seattle Public Library

Wallingford Branch
4423 Densmore Ave N.
Seattle (206) 684-4088

Good Shepherd Center

4649 Sunnyside N.
Seattle (206) 457-8127

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3190 160th Avenue SE
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King County Metro Transit

Library - 9th floor
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