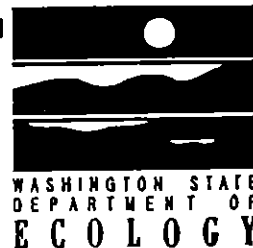


# Paxton Sales & Nu-Way Cleaners Yakima County



## Moving Towards Cleanup: Study to Begin

Don't be surprised if you see drilling rigs and work crews in the area of Paxton Sales Corporation (108 W Mead Avenue) and Nu-Way Cleaners (801 S 3rd Street). Both of these businesses will be doing a Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (RI/FS) this fall, winter and spring.

The RI/FS will provide answers to how much perchloroethylene (PCE) there is in the soil and groundwater, how far it extends, and options for cleaning it up. Perchloroethylene (PCE) is a solvent used for de-greasing machinery, in dry cleaning, and other businesses. PCE may cause cancer through long term exposure.

As a form of financial assistance, staff from the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) wrote the RI/FS for Paxtons and Nu-Way Cleaners. The work will be done under an enforcement order.

Both of these sites are part of the Yakima Railroad Area. The area is approximately six square miles and includes parts of Yakima and Union Gap.

### What Will Be in the RI/FS?

The following information will be included in the RI/FS:

- site history, including what waste was created in the past & how it was treated, stored and disposed of, physical changes at the site, etc.

- maps of the geology & hydrology of the sites, including the location of all groundwater wells and monitoring wells for private or commercial properties within a half mile radius
- soil, soil vapor & groundwater sampling
- extent of the contamination
- possible risks to people and the environment
- methods for site cleanup

Sampling will be done as needed, and the full draft remedial investigation/feasibility study (RI/FS) will have the results and recommendations. The study will be available for your review this winter.

Both businesses will be open as usual while the sampling is being done. If the drilling rigs will be blocking traffic in the roads, you will be kept informed through the local media.

### How Can You Be Involved?

You are invited to read the order and remedial investigation/feasibility study and make written comments on them through November 4, 1994. The orders can be reviewed at the Yakima Valley Regional Library, the Union Gap Public Library, and at Ecology's Central Regional Office. Send your written comments to site manager Rick Roeder. The addresses are in the box to the right.

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Public Comment Period is from October 3 through November 4, 1994

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