

## STATE OF WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY

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July 20, 2015

Skagit County Auditor Attn. Recording Department P.O. Box 1306, Administration Building, Room 201 Mount Vernon, WA 98273

## Re: Proposed Removal of Activity and Use Restrictions at the following Cleanup Site:

• Site Name: Georgia Pacific Corp Clear Lake

• Site Address: 1283 Hwy. 9, Clear Lake, WA 98235

Cleanup Site ID: 2366Facility/Site ID: 66783635

• Tax Parcel: 23293

Covenant Recording No.: 200405140075

## Dear Skagit County Auditor:

The purpose of this letter is to notify Skagit County that the Department of Ecology (Ecology) is proposing to remove an environmental covenant (Covenant) that restricts certain uses and activities on the above-referenced property as part of the cleanup of the Georgia Pacific Corp Clear Lake Site (Site). The restrictions were established to protect human health and the environment and integrity of the remedial actions at the Site.

Ecology has preliminarily determined the conditions on the property that originally required the Covenant no longer exist. A detailed description of the remedial actions conducted and the current conditions at the Site can be found at the following web site:

## https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/gsp/CleanupSiteDocuments.aspx?csid=2366.

Based on Ecology's determination that the Site currently meets the state's cleanup standards and that no further cleanup action is necessary, the following restrictions appear to be no longer necessary for this property:

- Restricted use of groundwater,
- Modification to property structures and infrastructure, and
- Notification to Ecology regarding property lease, sale, transfer or easement.

A full copy of the restrictions can be found on Ecology's Environmental Covenant Registry at: <a href="http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/tcp/sites\_brochure/SiteLists.htm">http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/tcp/sites\_brochure/SiteLists.htm</a>. Search for the site using facility/site identification number: 66783635.

Ecology is seeking your input on the proposed removal of the property restrictions in accordance with WAC 173-340-440(12). If you believe the restrictions are still necessary to protect human health or the environment, or the integrity of the remedial actions at the Site, please respond to this letter with your reasons for keeping the restrictions.

Ecology would appreciate your response in writing by letter or e-mail by August 13, 2015. If we do not hear from you by this date, we will assume you have no concerns with this proposal. A copy of the document removing the Covenant will be sent to you after it is recorded.

If you have any questions regarding this letter or the cleanup of this Site, please contact me at <u>jgue461@ecy.wa.gov</u> or (360) 715-5213.

Sincerely,

John Guenther, LHG

Site Manager

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