

Northwest EnviroService

Public Comment Period

July 11 through August
25, 2016

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August 25, 2016 to be
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Closure Plan Ready for Public Review

The Washington Department of Ecology (Ecology) welcomes you to review and comment on the Northwest EnviroService closure plan. This closure plan covers aboveground hazardous waste treatment units and surrounding areas. After reviewing the public comments, Ecology will make a final decision on whether to approve the closure plan. If enough people are interested, we may host a public meeting. To request a public meeting, contact Ecology's site manager, Byung Maeng.

Site Background

In 1979, Northwest EnviroService (NWES) started business at their 1.25 acre site at 1500 Airport Way South in Seattle. The NWES facility provided industrial, commercial, and residential waste treatment service for the Pacific Northwest, Alaska, and western United States. Currently, Emerald Services is operating the site as a used oil recycling facility.

Wastes treated at the facility include:

- Wastewater
- Corrosive materials
- Metals
- Antifreeze
- Used oil and oily waste
- Solvents
- Paint and related wastes
- Pesticides

In 1980, all hazardous waste management facilities were required to have a Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) permit from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Since that time, this facility operated as a RCRA interim status dangerous waste treatment facility. All facilities with a RCRA interim status permit must have an approved plan for closure of treatment units and surrounding areas.

NWES voluntarily completed closure work prior to approval of the closure plan required by Washington's dangerous waste regulations. Ecology and EPA required NWES to submit a closure plan to address the closure work already completed. If this proposed closure plan is not approved after the public comment period, Ecology will revise the closure plan and NWES must re-do the closure work.

State Environmental Policy Act

The purpose of the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) Checklist is to identify and evaluate whether there are probable significant adverse environmental impacts of the proposed closure activities. Ecology believes that the closure activities did not have any adverse impact and thus environmental review is not necessary.

Activities Outlined in the Closure Plan

1. Remove existing drums and small containers stored and staged in Areas 1, 2, 5, 8, 9, and 10.
2. Remove the contents of tanks in Areas 1, 2, 3, 5, 6, and 10.
3. Decontaminate bulk tanks emptied in Step 1 and remove equipment. Some equipment will remain on site based on negotiations of the future facility owner/operator.
4. Decontaminate all surfaces, containment structures, and sumps in all areas subject to closure.
5. Sample cleaned areas to verify the performance standard as described in the closure plan and the Sampling and Analysis Plan (SAP). Repeat Step 4 if necessary.
6. Empty batch wastewater treatment tanks in Area 5 and decontaminate the tanks. Remove the tanks and clean the surfaces, containment structures, and sumps. Sample the area as described in the closure plan and SAP.
7. Close stabilization tanks in Area 1 and clean the surface. Sample the area as described in the closure plan and the SAP. Ship any additional wastes from closure activities off site or sell for industrial use to an approved dangerous waste treatment, storage, and disposal facility or solid waste facility.

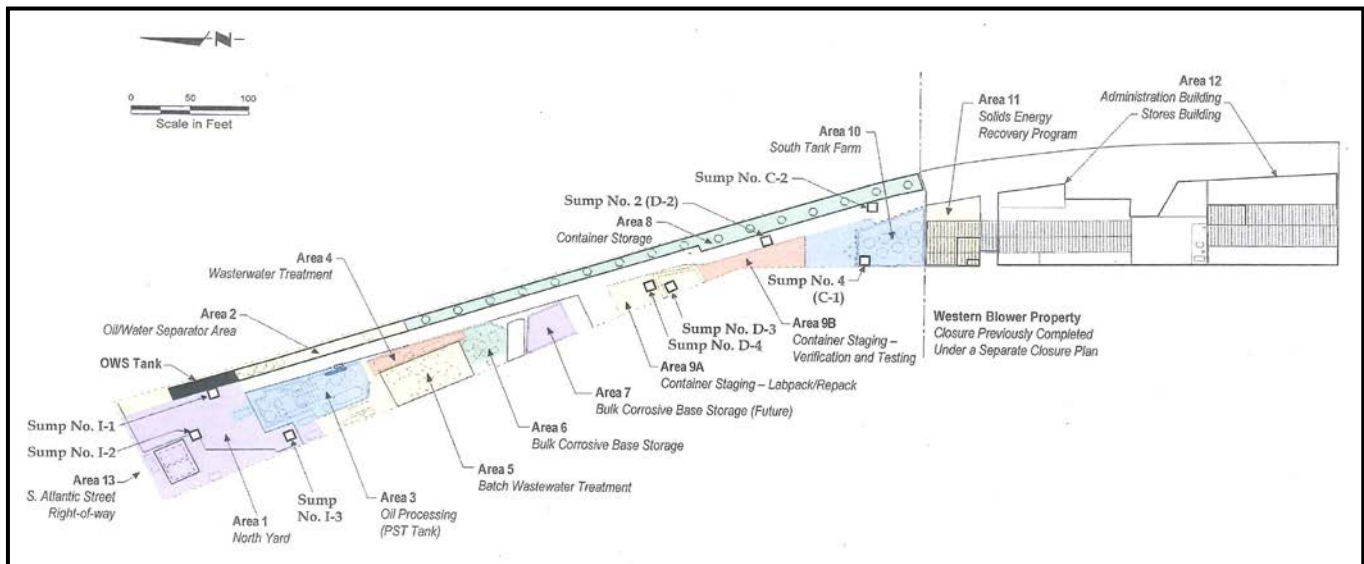


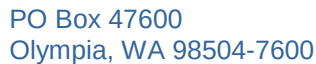
Figure 1: Facility operational areas.

El Departamento de Ecología del Estado de Washington (Ecología) le invita a revisar y comentar sobre el plan de cierre de Northwest EnviroService (NWES por sus siglas en inglés). Este plan de cierre cubre unidades de tratamiento en la superficie y áreas aledañas. NWES completó en forma voluntaria el trabajo de cierre sin un plan aprobado de cierre requerido según las normas de desechos peligrosos del Estado de Washington. Ecología y EPA requirieron que NWES presente un plan de cierre que cubra el trabajo de cierre que ya se ha completado. Ecología revisará todos los comentarios enviados por el público. Si este plan propuesto de cierre no es aprobado después del período de comentario público, Ecología revisará el plan de cierre y NWES deberá volver a hacer el trabajo de cierre. Para obtener más información, llame a Byung Maeng al 425-649-7253 y pregunte por un intérprete.

華盛頓州生態管理署 (The Washington State Department of Ecology) 邀請公眾間對西北 EnviroService(NWES)清理行動終結文件提供建議意見。这个终结文件是关于地表污染处理设备和其周边地区。NWES 自愿动完成了清理终结关闭工作，没有華盛頓州危险废物处理条例批准的清理行動終結计划。生態管理署和美國環境保護署 (EPA) 要求 NWES 对已经完成的清理终结工作提交清理行動終結计划。生態管理署将审查所有公众提交的评论意见。如果这一提议的清理行動終結计划在公众评论期后未获批准、生態管理署将会修改清理行動終結计划，NWES 必须重新做清理行動終結工作。如要更多信息, 请致电 Byung Maeng 425-649-7253 , 要求口译员。

Bộ Môi Sinh tiểu bang Washington (Ecology) hoan nghênh quý vị tham khảo và góp ý cho bản kế hoạch đóng cửa Công ty Northwest EnviroService (NWES). Kế hoạch đóng cửa này bao gồm các hệ thống xử lý trên mặt đất và khu vực xung quanh. Công ty NWES tự ý hoàn tất việc đóng cửa mà không có bản kế hoạch đã được duyệt theo quy định tiểu bang Washington về Chất Thải Nguy Hiểm. Bộ Môi Sinh và Cơ quan bảo vệ môi trường của Hoa Kỳ (EPA) yêu cầu NWES gửi bản kế hoạch bao gồm các công việc đóng cửa đã được hoàn tất. Bộ Môi Sinh sẽ xem xét tất cả ý kiến từ công chúng. Nếu bản đề xuất kế hoạch đóng cửa không được chấp thuận sau giai đoạn góp ý, Bộ Môi Sinh sẽ điều chỉnh bản kế hoạch và công ty NWES phải làm lại công việc đóng cửa. Để biết thêm thông tin, xin gọi Ông Byung Maeng tại 425-649-7253 và yêu cầu thông dịch viên nếu cần.

Inaanyayahan ka ng Departamento sa Ekolohiya ng Washington o Washington Department of Ecology (Ecology) na suriin ang at magkomento sa planong pagsasara ng Northwest EnviroService (NWES). Sinasaklawang ang planong pagsasara (closure plan) na ito ang mga yunit sa paggagamot (treatment unit) na nasa itaas at sa mga nakapaligid na lugar. Kusang tinapos ng NWES ang proseso ng pagsasara nang walang aprubadong planong pagsasara na kinakailangan ayon sa mga regulasyon para sa mga basurang mapanganib sa kalusugan ng Estado ng Washington (Washington State). Inaatasan ng Ecology at EPA ang NWES na magsumite ng planong pagsasara upang matugunan ang natapos nang proseso ng pagsasara. Susuriin ng Ecology ang lahat ng komentong isusumite ng publiko. Kung hindi maaprubahan ang panukalang planong pagsasara na ito matapos ang panahon ng pangangalap ng komento sa publiko, irerebisa ng Ecology ang planong pagsasara at kailangang ulitin ng NWES ang proseso ng pagsasara. Para sa karagdagang impormasyon, tumawag kay Byung Maeng sa 425-649-7253 at humiling ng interpreter.



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