



CLEANUP WORK

Cement kiln dust deposits will be stockpiled and covered with an engineered cap on the Holcim Inc property. Native grasses will be planted on two feet of topsoil covering the cap.

All contamination will be removed from the City of Spokane Valley property, and this land will be restored and available for public use.

Learn more online

Holcim Inc website: https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/gsp/Sitepage.aspx?csid=4580

Questions?

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Facility Site ID: 52126416 Cleanup Site ID: 4580 The Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) wants to inform the public about cleanup work happening July through November 2016 at 12207 E. Empire Avenue (Holcim Inc site).

Why is the site being cleaned up?

Cement was manufactured at the site from 1910 to 1967. During that time, cement kiln dust (CKD) was deposited on the ground. Soil sample results confirmed one CKD deposit about 109,100 cubic yards in volume and another about 12,300 cubic yards in volume.

The CKD contains various contaminants that exceed state standards, including arsenic, cadmium, and lead. Some of the CKD at the site is very corrosive with a pH greater than 12.5. Other contaminants near the cement-manufacturing area in surface soil include benzene, carcinogenic polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons, and gasoline-range petroleum hydrocarbons.

Is it safe to use the trail and river near the site?

Yes, the trail and river are safe to use. The public should not enter the fenced cleanup area.

What happens when cleanup is finished?

Long-term monitoring will occur, and Ecology will visit the site at least every five years to verify the cleanup still protects humans and the environment.