# Terrestrial Ecological Evaluation for Coleman Oil Company Wenatchee, Washington

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# **LIST OF ACRONYMS**

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BAF	Bioaccumulation Factor
BTEX	Benzene, Toluene, Ethylbenzene, and Total Xylenes
CAP	Cleanup Action Plan
DRPH	Diesel Range Petroleum Hydrocarbons
GRPH	Gasoline Range Petroleum Hydrocarbons
MDL	Method Detection Limit
MTCA	Model Toxics Control Act
NFA	No Further Action
ORPH	Oil Range Petroleum Hydrocarbons
RCW	Revised Code of Washington
TEE	Terrestrial Ecological Evaluation
TPH	Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons
VCP	Voluntary Cleanup Program
WAC	Washington Administrative Code

## **INTRODUCTION**

### **Purpose and Need**

Loowit Consulting Group, LLC (LCG) was retained by HydroCon, LLC to conduct a Terrestrial Ecological Evaluation (TEE) at the Coleman Oil Company site located at 600 S Worthen St. in Wenatchee, Washington (Figure 1). On March 17, 2017, the Wenatchee Fire Department reported the presence of a sheen and petroleum odor on the Columbia River between Thurston and Chehalis Streets in Wenatchee, Washington. A subcontractor hired by Coleman Oil Company conducted a line tightness test on March 24, 2017 on underground pipe lines used to transfer fuel from ASTs at Tank Farm A to the truck loading rack on the property. Two of the fuel lines would not hold pressure: the R99 renewable diesel fuel line and the B75 biodiesel fuel line. A review of Coleman Oil inventory records indicated that the release was most likely from the R99 renewable diesel fuel line.

As part of an Agreed Order under the Washington State Model Toxics Control ACT (MTCA) WAC 173-340, Coleman Oil has conducted additional subsurface investigations to further define the extent of soil and groundwater contamination from the renewable diesel fuel spill. Under WAC 173-340, a TEE is required to evaluate threats to plants, soil biota, and wildlife from contaminated soils at a cleanup site.

#### **Site Description**

The subject site consists of a single parcel that was operated as a bulk fuel terminal and commercial fueling facility until early 2018. The bulk fuel tanks have been removed while the commercial fueling station is still in operation. Site specifics include:

<u>Site Address</u> :	600 S Worthen St. Wenatchee, WA 98801 (Chelan County Assessor) or 3 Chehalis St, Wenatchee, WA 98801
Current Owner:	Coleman Services IV, LLC
Tax Parcel Number:	222011693005
Legal Description:	Section 11, Township 22 North, Range 20 East, W.M.
Property Size:	Approximately 1.27 acres
Jurisdiction:	City of Wenatchee

The subject site is situated between Chehalis Street to the north, Worthen Street to the east, and BNSF railroad to the west (Figure 2). To the east of Worthen St. is the Apple Capital Loop Trail, overhead electrical lines, a narrow vegetated riparian area, and a very steep slope to the Columbia River. Property east of the Apple Capital Loop Trail, including the vegetated riparian area, is owned by Chelan County PUD. Topography at the site is flat with stormwater directed to storm drains in the adjacent city streets.

# **METHODS**

### **Desktop Review**

Prior to visiting the subject site, LCG conducted a desktop review of readily available mapping resources and other pertinent information including:

- Chelan County GIS (<u>http://maps.co.chelan.wa.us/chelancountyGIS/</u>). This source provided parcel information, aerial photographs, physical attributes, and other information from the Chelan County Assessor.
- US Fish and Wildlife Service National Wetlands Inventory Wetlands Mapper (<u>https://www.fws.gov/wetlands/data/mapper.html</u>). This mapping source depicts wetlands and streams throughout the United States.
- US Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service Web Soil Survey (<u>https://websoilsurvey.sc.egov.usda.gov/App/WebSoilSurvey.aspx</u>). This source depicts mapped soils including hydric soils throughout the United States.
- Washington Department of Natural Resources Forest Practices Application Mapping Tool (<u>https://fpamt.dnr.wa.gov/default.aspx</u>). This mapping source depicts streams and wetlands in Washington State.
- Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife Salmonscape (<u>http://apps.wdfw.wa.gov/salmonscape/map.html</u>). This mapping source depicts streams and fish distribution in Washington State.
- Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife Priority Habitat and Species (<u>http://apps.wdfw.wa.gov/phsontheweb/</u>). This mapping source depicts priority habitats and species throughout Washington State.

## **TEE PROCESS**

The MTCA TEE process is designed to identify sites which have the potential to impact ecological receptors from surface and/or shallow contaminated soils. A seven step process is used to complete the TEE process.

#### Step 1 - Characterization of the Site

The Coleman Oil Company site has been properly characterized by the collection and analysis of groundwater samples, surface water samples, subsurface soil samples, shoreline soil samples, and sediment samples within and adjacent to the subject site (Figure 2). Results of these analyses indicate varying concentrations of:

- Gasoline Range Petroleum Hydrocarbons (GRPH)
- Diesel range petroleum hydrocarbons (DRPH)
- Oil Range Petroleum Hydrocarbons (ORPH)
- Benzene, Toluene, Ethylbenzene, and Total Xylenes (BTEX)

#### **Step 2 – Evaluation of Exclusions**

To determine if a site qualifies for exclusion, the site is evaluated against four exclusions listed below and documented in the Terrestrial Ecological Evaluation Form (Appendix A). The Coleman Oil site in Wenatchee does not qualify for exclusion as summarized below:

**Exclusion #1:** Will all soil contamination be located at least 6 feet beneath the ground surface (conditional point of compliance)? **[NO]** "Yes" to this question, the site qualifies for exclusion with institutional controls.

Will all soil contamination be located at least 15 feet beneath the ground surface? [NO] "Yes" to this question, the site qualifies for exclusion, institutional controls not required.

**Exclusion #2**: Will all soil contamination be covered by buildings, paved roads, pavement, or other physical barriers that will prevent plants or wildlife from being exposed? **[NO]** "Yes" to this question qualifies for exclusion, with institutional controls

"Yes" to this question qualifies for exclusion, with institutional controls.

**Exclusion #3**: Is there less than 1.5 acres of contiguous undeveloped land on the site, or within 500 feet of any area of the site affected by hazardous substances other than those listed in WAC 173-340-7491(1)(c)(ii)? **[NO]** 

#### AND

Is there less than 0.25 acres of contiguous undeveloped land on or within 500 feet of any area of the site affected by hazardous substances listed in WAC 173-340-7491(1)(c)(ii)? [NO]

(Must answer "yes" to both questions to qualify for this exclusion. Other factors decide whether you will need institutional controls at your site if you use the exclusion.)

**Exclusion #4**: Are concentrations of hazardous substances in the soil less than or equal to natural background concentrations of those substances at the point of compliance? [NO]

"Yes" to this question qualifies for exclusion, institutional controls not required.

#### **Step 3 – Select Evaluation Method**

The TEE Form (Appendix A) is used to determine which evaluation method is most appropriate for the subject site.

#### **Step 4 – Conduct the TEE**

This step in the process determines if the (1) the TEE process can be ended, (2) if a simplified TEE is required, or (3) a site-specific TEE is required. The simplified TEE for the Coleman Oil site in Wenatchee can be ended according to the results for Table 749-1 (Appendix B). A detailed summary of answers listed in Table 749-1 is included in the Results and Discussion section.

#### Step 5 – Identify Areas of Potential Ecological Concern

Not required

Step 6 – Conduct the Feasibility Study Not required

Step 7 – Document the Process Not Required

#### **RESULTS and DISCUSSION**

LCG conducted a TEE at the Coleman Oil site in Wenatchee, Washington as part of the requirements of MTCA in WAC 173-340. The Coleman Oil site is located adjacent to the Columbia River that has a narrow riparian area providing limited habitat to terrestrial wildlife. Based on a review of site conditions, conversations with Ecology staff, and putting the site through the TEE process; it was determined that the site does not qualify for an exclusion and a simplified TEE for the Coleman Oil site in Wenatchee can be ended according to the results for Table 749-1 (Appendix B).

#### Table 749-1 Results

Question #1 - This question assigns points for the size (acres) of "undeveloped" land on and within 500 feet of a project site. Undeveloped land means land that is not covered with buildings, roads, paved areas or other barriers preventing wildlife from feeding on plants, earthworms, insects or other food in or on the soil. The only areas qualifying as undeveloped lands at the project site is the riparian area along the Columbia River. This area is comprised of approximately 1.47 aces (Figure 3) thereby receiving a score of 7 points.

*Question 2* – This question asks if the property is industrial or commercial. The subject site is classified as industrial property by the City of Wenatchee (2017),. The question does not make clear if the property is just the subject site or also includes the area within 500 feet of the subject site. Taking the more conservative approach, this question was assigned the lower score of 1 but an argument for a higher score of 3 could be made.

*Question #3* – This question assigns points for the quality of habitat. A score of 2 was assigned as the habitat in the riparian area is neither high quality of low quality given location in the landscape.

*Question 41* – This question asks if the undeveloped land is likely to attract wildlife. The answer is yes as birds and mammals can easily visit and utilize the riparian area along the Columbia River. A score of 1 point was assigned.

*Question 5* – This question asks if a list of soil contaminants are present. None of the listed contaminants have been identified so a score of 4 points was assigned.

*Question #* – This question adds the scores from questions #2 through #5 which is 8 points. If this sore is higher than the score listed in Question #1 (7 points), the simplified terrestrial ecological evaluation may be ended under WAC 173-34-7492(2)(a)(ii). Eight points is higher than 7 points so the simplified TEE for the Coleman Oil site in Wenatchee can be ended.

#### **CONCLUSIONS**

The simplified TEE for the Coleman Oil site in Wenatchee can be ended according to the results documented in Table 749-1 (Appendix B).

#### **LIMITATIONS**

The findings and conclusions contained in this document were based on information and data available at the time this document was prepared and evaluated using standard Best Professional Judgement. LCG assumes no responsibility for the accuracy of information and data generated by others. Local, State, and Federal regulatory agencies may or may not agree with the findings and conclusions contained in this document.

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# FIGURES

Figure 1 – Site Location Map Figure 2 – Site Map Figure 3 – Riparian Areas (Undeveloped Lands)





Loowit Consulting Group, LLC Natural Resources & Project Management 360.431.5118 Figure 1 Site Location Map





Appendix A

**Terrestrial Ecological Evaluation Form** 



**Voluntary Cleanup Program** 

# Washington State Department of Ecology Toxics Cleanup Program

# TERRESTRIAL ECOLOGICAL EVALUATION FORM

Under the Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA), a terrestrial ecological evaluation is necessary if hazardous substances are released into the soils at a Site. In the event of such a release, you must take one of the following three actions as part of your investigation and cleanup of the Site:

- 1. Document an exclusion from further evaluation using the criteria in WAC 173-340-7491.
- 2. Conduct a simplified evaluation as set forth in WAC 173-340-7492.
- 3. Conduct a site-specific evaluation as set forth in WAC 173-340-7493.

When requesting a written opinion under the Voluntary Cleanup Program (VCP), you must complete this form and submit it to the Department of Ecology (Ecology). The form documents the type and results of your evaluation.

# Completion of this form is not sufficient to document your evaluation. You still need to document your analysis and the basis for your conclusion in your cleanup plan or report.

If you have questions about how to conduct a terrestrial ecological evaluation, please contact the Ecology site manager assigned to your Site. For additional guidance, please refer to <a href="http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/tcp/policies/terrestrial/TEEHome.htm">www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/tcp/policies/terrestrial/TEEHome.htm</a>.

## Step 1: IDENTIFY HAZARDOUS WASTE SITE

Please identify below the hazardous waste site for which you are documenting an evaluation.

Facility/Site Name: Coleman Oil Biodiesel Spill

Facility/Site Address: 3 Chehalis St, Wenatchee, WA 98801

Facility/Site No: 83844381

VCP Project No.:

## Step 2: IDENTIFY EVALUATOR

Please identify below the person who conducted the evaluation and their contact information.

Name: Timothy J. haderly				Title: Principal Environmental Scientiest/Owner	
Organization: Loowit Consulting Group, LLC					
Mailing address: 312 Gray Road					
City: Castle Rock			te: WA	Zip code: 98611	
Phone: 360.431.5118 Fax: N/A			E-mail: thaderly42@gmail.com		

Step 3: DOCUMENT EVALUATION TYPE AND RESULTS							
A. Exclusion from further evaluation.							
1. Does the Site qualify for an exclusion from further evaluation?							
	Yes If you answered <b>"YES,"</b> then answer <b>Question 2</b> .						
	No or Unknown If you answered "NO" or "UKNOWN," then skip to Step 3B of this form.						
2. What	2. What is the basis for the exclusion? Check all that apply. Then skip to Step 4 of this form.						
Poir	nt of Co	ompliance: WAC 173-340-7491(1)(a)					
		All soil contamination is, or will be,* at least 15 feet below the surface.					
		All soil contamination is, or will be,* at least 6 feet below the surface (or alternative depth if approved by Ecology), and institutional controls are used to manage remaining contamination.					
Bar	riers to	Exposure: WAC 173-340-7491(1)(b)					
		All contaminated soil, is or will be,* covered by physical barriers (such as buildings or paved roads) that prevent exposure to plants and wildlife, and institutional controls are used to manage remaining contamination.					
Und	levelop	ed Land: WAC 173-340-7491(1)(c)					
		There is less than 0.25 acres of contiguous <sup>#</sup> undeveloped <sup>±</sup> land on or within 500 feet of any area of the Site and any of the following chemicals is present: chlorinated dioxins or furans, PCB mixtures, DDT, DDE, DDD, aldrin, chlordane, dieldrin, endosulfan, endrin, heptachlor, heptachlor epoxide, benzene hexachloride, toxaphene, hexachlorobenzene, pentachlorophenol, or pentachlorobenzene.					
		For sites not containing any of the chemicals mentioned above, there is less than 1.5 acres of contiguous <sup>#</sup> undeveloped <sup>±</sup> land on or within 500 feet of any area of the Site.					
Bac	Background Concentrations: WAC 173-340-7491(1)(d)						
		Concentrations of hazardous substances in soil do not exceed natural background levels as described in WAC 173-340-200 and 173-340-709.					
<ul> <li>* An exclusion based on future land use must have a completion date for future development that is acceptable to Ecology.</li> <li>* "Undeveloped land" is land that is not covered by building, roads, paved areas, or other barriers that would prevent wildlife from feeding on plants, earthworms, insects, or other food in or on the soil.</li> <li># "Contiguous" undeveloped land is an area of undeveloped land that is not divided into smaller areas of highways, extensive paving, or similar structures that are likely to reduce the potential use of the overall area by wildlife.</li> </ul>							

В.	B. Simplified evaluation.					
1.	1. Does the Site qualify for a simplified evaluation?					
		Yes	If you answered "YES," then answer Question 2 below.			
	And a second	No or known	If you answered "NO" or "UNKNOWN," then skip to Step 3C of this form.			
2.	Did you	condu	ct a simplified evaluation?			
		Yes	If you answered "YES," then answer Question 3 below.			
		No	If you answered "NO," then skip to Step 3C of this form.			
3.	Was fur	ther eva	aluation necessary?			
		Yes	If you answered "YES," then answer Question 4 below.			
		No	If you answered "NO," then answer Question 5 below.			
4.	If furthe	r evalua	ation was necessary, what did you do?			
			ed the concentrations listed in Table 749-2 as cleanup levels. <i>If so, then</i> s <i>kip to</i> <b>p 4</b> of this form.			
		Cor	nducted a site-specific evaluation. If so, then skip to Step 3C of this form.			
5.	5. If no further evaluation was necessary, what was the reason? Check all that apply. Then skip to Step 4 of this form.					
	Exposure	e Analy	rsis: WAC 173-340-7492(2)(a)			
		Are	a of soil contamination at the Site is not more than 350 square feet.			
		Cur	rrent or planned land use makes wildlife exposure unlikely. Used Table 749-1.			
	Pathway	Analys	sis: WAC 173-340-7492(2)(b)			
		No	potential exposure pathways from soil contamination to ecological receptors.			
	Contami	nant Ar	nalysis: WAC 173-340-7492(2)(c)			
			contaminant listed in Table 749-2 is, or will be, present in the upper 15 feet at centrations that exceed the values listed in Table 749-2.			
		alte liste	contaminant listed in Table 749-2 is, or will be, present in the upper 6 feet (or ernative depth if approved by Ecology) at concentrations that exceed the values ed in Table 749-2, and institutional controls are used to manage remaining tamination.			
		con	contaminant listed in Table 749-2 is, or will be, present in the upper 15 feet at centrations likely to be toxic or have the potential to bioaccumulate as determined ng Ecology-approved bioassays.			
		alte the	contaminant listed in Table 749-2 is, or will be, present in the upper 6 feet (or mative depth if approved by Ecology) at concentrations likely to be toxic or have potential to bioaccumulate as determined using Ecology-approved bioassays, and itutional controls are used to manage remaining contamination.			

C.	the problem	<b>ic evaluation.</b> A site-specific evaluation process consists of two parts: (1) formulating a, and (2) selecting the methods for addressing the identified problem. Both steps sultation with and approval by Ecology. See WAC 173-340-7493(1)(c).				
1.	Was there	a problem? See WAC 173-340-7493(2).				
	X Ye	es If you answered "YES," then answer Question 2 below.				
□ No If you answered " <b>NO</b> ," then identify the reason here and then skip to below:						
		No issues were identified during the problem formulation step.				
		While issues were identified, those issues were addressed by the cleanup actions for protecting human health.				
2.	What did y	ou do to resolve the problem? See WAC 173-340-7493(3).				
	$\boxtimes$	Used the concentrations listed in Table 749-3 as cleanup levels. If so, then skip to <b>Question 5</b> below.				
		Used one or more of the methods listed in WAC 173-340-7493(3) to evaluate and address the identified problem. <i>If so, then answer Questions 3 and 4</i> below.				
3.		lucted further site-specific evaluations, what methods did you use? at apply. See WAC 173-340-7493(3).				
	Literature surveys.					
		Soil bioassays.				
	Wildlife exposure model.					
		Biomarkers.				
	Site-specific field studies.					
		Weight of evidence.				
		Other methods approved by Ecology. If so, please specify:				
4.	What was t	he result of those evaluations?				
		Confirmed there was no problem.				
		Confirmed there was a problem and established site-specific cleanup levels.				
5.	5. Have you already obtained Ecology's approval of both your problem formulation and problem resolution steps?					
	X Y	es If so, please identify the Ecology staff who approved those steps:				
	□ No					

## Step 4: SUBMITTAL

Please mail your completed form to the Ecology site manager assigned to your Site. If a site manager has not yet been assigned, please mail your completed form to the Ecology regional office for the County in which your Site is located.

	Northwest Region: Attn: VCP Coordinator 3190 160 <sup>th</sup> Ave. SE Bellevue, WA 98008-5452	Central Regi Attn: VCP Coord 1250 West Alde Union Gap, WA 989	linator er St.	
	Southwest Region: Attn: VCP Coordinator P.O. Box 47775 Olympia, WA 98504-7775	Eastern Region: Attn: VCP Coordinator N. 4601 Monroe Spokane WA 99205-1295		
Regional Office Locati Ciallam Jofferso Grays H	San Juan Island Arbor Lacey Pierce Touriston	Benlon	Ferry Stev Easter Lincoln Adams htdin Walla Walla	Oreille n Spokane Spokane Whitman Garfield

ECY 090-300 (07/2015) To request ADA accommodation including materials in a format for the visually impaired, call Ecology Toxic Cleanup Program 360-407-7170. Persons with impaired hearing may call Washington Relay Service at 711. Persons with speech disability may call TTY at 877-833-6341.

Appendix B

Table 749-1

#### Table 749-1 Simplified Terrestrial Ecological Evaluation - Exposure Analysis Procedure under WAC 173-340-7492 (2)(a)(ii).a

[					
	Estimate the area of contiguous (connected) undeve				
	the site or within 500 feet of any area of the site to t				
1.47 acres	acre $(1/4 \text{ acre if the area is less than } 0.5 \text{ acre})$ . "Und				
	means land that is not covered by existing buildings				
	areas or other barriers that will prevent wildlife from				
	plants, earthworms, insects or other food in or on th	A CALL AND A			
	1) From the table below, find the number of points				
	to the area and enter this number in the box to the r	the state of a summer of the state of the st			
	Area (acres)	Points			
	0.25 or less	4			
	0.5	5			
-	1.0	6			
7	1.5	7			
	2.0	8			
	2.5	9			
	3.0	10			
	3.5	11			
	4.0 or more	12			
	2) Is this an industrial or commercial property?	12			
1	See WAC 173-340-7490 (3)(c). If yes, enter a score of 3 in the box				
1	to the right. If no, enter a score of 1.				
	3) Enter a score in the box to the right for the habita	at quality of the			
2	site, using the rating system shown belowb. (High = 1,				
2	Intermediate = 2, Low = 3)				
	4) Is the undeveloped land likely to attract wildlife	If yes enter a			
1	score of 1 in the box to the right. If no, enter a score of 2. See				
-	footnote c.				
	5) Are there any of the following soil contaminants	present:			
	Chlorinated dibenzo-p-dioxins/dibenzofurans, PCB mixtures,				
4	DDT, DDE, DDD, aldrin, chlordane, dieldrin, endosulfan, endrin,				
4	heptachlor, benzene hexachloride, toxaphene, hexachlorobenzene,				
	pentachlorophenol, pentachlorobenzene? If yes, ent				
	in the box to the right. If no, enter a score of 4.				
	6) Add the numbers in the boxes on lines 2 through	5 and enter this			
8	number in the box to the right. If this number is large				
0	number in the box on line 1, the simplified terrestri				
	evaluation may be ended under WAC173-340-7492	( <b>0</b> )( <b>0</b> )( <b>0</b> )			

#### Footnotes:

a It is expected that this habitat evaluation will be undertaken by an experienced field biologist. If this is not the case, enter a conservative score (1) for questions 3 and 4.

b Habitat rating system. Rate the quality of the habitat as high, intermediate or low based on your professional judgment as a field biologist. The following are suggested factors to consider in making this evaluation:

Low: Early successional vegetative stands; vegetation predominantly noxious, nonnative, exotic plant species or weeds. Areas severely disturbed by human activity, including intensively cultivated croplands. Areas isolated from other habitat used by wildlife.

High: Area is ecologically significant for one or more of the following reasons: Late-successional native plant communities present; relatively high species diversity; used by an uncommon or rare species; priority habitat (as defined by the Washington department of fish and wildlife); part of a larger area of habitat where size or fragmentation may be important for the retention of some species. Intermediate: Area does not rate as either high or low.

c Indicate "yes" if the area attracts wildlife or is likely to do so. Examples: Birds frequently visit the area to feed; evidence of high use by mammals (tracks, scat, etc.); habitat "island" in an industrial area; unusual features of an area that make it important for feeding animals; heavy use during seasonal migrations.