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April 23, 2019

Julie DeRuwe, Facility Services Manager  
Thurston County  
2000 Lakeridge Drive SW  
Building #1, Room 032  
Olympia, WA 98502-6045

**Re: Briggs Nursery (a.k.a. Briggs Village LLC Foreclosed Properties) — Preventative Maintenance Plan for the Kettles**

- **Site Name:** Briggs Nursery
- **Site Address:** 4407 Henderson Blvd SE, Olympia, Thurston County, WA 98501
- **Cleanup Site ID:** 4150
- **Facility Site ID:** 35797926

Dear Julie DeRuwe:

The Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) held a public comment period from February 19 to March 21, 2019, concerning removal of the Briggs Nursery cleanup site from the Hazardous Sites List. Ecology received three public comments during the comment period. Two of the three comments concerned the lack of maintenance of fencing and signage around the Kettles at the site. For your information, I have enclosed the two comments.

Ecology received a letter from Thurston County on September 2, 2015, outlining the County's Preventative Maintenance Plan for the Kettles. I have enclosed Thurston County's letter for your information.

Please execute the Preventive Maintenance Plan for the Kettles and submit to Ecology, within 60 days of receipt of this letter, the corrective actions the county has taken to comply with the plan.

Julie DeRuwe, Facility Services Manager  
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Re: Briggs Nursery

If you have any questions, please contact me at (360) 407-6256 or [mohsen.kourehdar@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:mohsen.kourehdar@ecy.wa.gov).

Sincerely,



Mohsen Kourehdar, P.E.  
Toxics Cleanup Program  
Southwest Regional Office

Enclosures: A – Public Comments  
B – 2015 Letter from Thurston County to Ecology

By certified mail: 9489 0090 0027 6066 6648 93

cc: Ecology Site File

## **Enclosure A**

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### **Public Comments**

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### **Comment I-1-1 from Anonymous**

When was it determined that the kettles in the former Briggs Nursery Site met the state cleanup levels? The information that was sent out does not state that. If it was last done in 2008, why is there an 11-year delay in moving forward with the proposal to remove it from the Hazardous Site List? Per the information sent out, "Thurston County owns the kettle bottoms and maintains the fences and warning signs restricting access to the kettles." The kettles in the Briggs Village Development have had little to no maintenance in the more than 8 years that I have lived there. The fencing around the kettles is so overgrown with blackberry vines and other vegetation that it is no longer visible in large sections. The kettle fencing behind the homes on Harvest Avenue and Seneca Street has major problems. There are sections where there are large trees and tree limbs that are leaning on and crushing the fence as well as a large section behind the Seneca Street homes that is completely laying down on the ground inward toward the kettle. The warning signs disappeared a number of years ago – so there is nothing to indicate that entry into the kettle areas is restricted. If the kettles are still supposed to be restricted access, this needs to be addressed asap.

### **Comment I-3-1 from Corina Grigoras**

Hello, thank you for notifying the homeowners about your proposed list removal. We would like to request that you send a crew to clean up the area around the fence that encircles the kettle behind Brighton Way SE street. Since we moved here, 10 years ago, a chain-link fence was installed but the silt fencing (white fabric on wooden poles) that was used during construction was left within, just on the other side of the chain-link fence. In the winter months, when the trees have no foliage, it's a terrible eyesore. We were told multiple times that the inside of the fence is the property of Ecology and we're not allowed within. Can you please attend to this? It's unacceptable that for 10 years, no one from Ecology is checking on the status of this kettle, its fencing, and attempting to clean up the area. Thank you for your time and consideration. P.S. The system is not allowing to attach a photo although it's a "jpg" file, which seems to be allowed.

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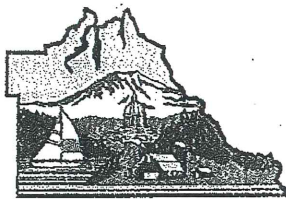
## **Enclosure B**

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**2015 Letter from Thurston County to Ecology**

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September 2, 2015

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is in the  
file* Briggs

Re: Briggs Village LLC Foreclosed Properties  
Preventative Maintenance Requirements  
Preventative Maintenance Plan

Responsibilities for the property known as Briggs Village LLC, now foreclosed property of Thurston County required under the Environmental Covenant between OlyArb, LLC and State of Washington, Department of Ecology are described as follows:

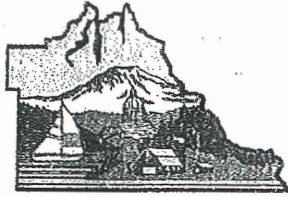
Maintenance of the site is described below:

Fencing: Cyclone fencing placed around the outermost perimeter of the Northwest, Central and South Kettles that are minimum of 6 feet in height maintained in such a manner as to prevent public access to the property within the fence perimeter

Signage: Installed and maintained to be located within the perimeter of the fence in a location that makes them readable from outside the fence but no farther than 3 feet from the perimeter; placed at a minimum of 50 foot intervals around the perimeter of the fence; with specification, fabrication, and installation to secure from the normal effects of the weather (of a durable weather resistant material); of a minimum of 8 1/2" x 11" in size; of the signboard of yellow or orange and the lettering bold, black type as follows:

WARNING (2")  
NO TRESPASSING (1")

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Preventative Maintenance Plan

Facilities Staff or designee will inspect the areas semi-annually and record via photographic and written documentation the condition of the described areas. If the condition does not meet the standards as described in Exhibit B of the document, repairs will be initiated to include fence replacement/repair, signage replacement/ repair, removal of unauthorized individuals who may be occupying the site, and identification and removal of noxious weeds.

The documents of all activities will be maintained in the files of Facilities Services located at 2000 Lakeridge Dr SW, Building 1 Room 040.

Questions regarding these activities may be addressed to Julie DeRuwe, Facilities Services Manager, 360-867-2944.

Sincerely,

Julie DeRuwe  
Facilities Services Manager



May 10, 2019

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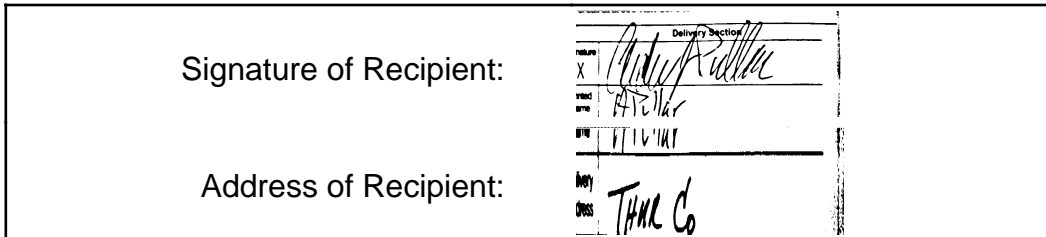
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