

Toxics Cleanup Program**August 2012**

Cleanup Documents Available for Public Review and Comment



A PUGET SOUND INITIATIVE Site

Reaching the goal of a healthy, sustainable Puget Sound.

Ecology Wants Your Input!

The Department of Ecology is asking for your comments on plans to clean up a site in Port Gardner Bay. The Bay Wood Products Site (Site) is one of several sites within Port Gardner Bay that Ecology is cleaning up. The Site is located at 200 West Marine View Drive in Everett, Snohomish County, WA. This is just west of the Legion Memorial Golf Course, on the Snohomish River waterfront in western Everett. Port Gardner Bay is one of several embayments in Puget Sound that Ecology is studying and cleaning up under the state's Puget Sound Initiative.

You are invited to comment on the following documents (described on page 2):

- **Amended Agreed Order**
- **Interim Action Work Plan**

Ecology will accept comments from *August 15 through September 14, 2012*. See the box on the right for details about where to review the document and submit comments. In a future public comment period, the public will be invited to comment on a Cleanup Action Plan (CAP).

Site Background

The Bay Wood Products Site is located on fill that was placed in Port Gardner Bay. Lumber and mill operations began on this Site around 1936. In 1979, Bay Wood Products, Inc. removed the sawmill and used the Site for log handling and storage until 1994. Site features during Bay Wood Products operations included office and shop buildings, a covered shed, oil drums, electrical transformers, above-ground fuel storage tanks, and log rafts. These features have been removed, and the Site is vacant. Polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) and carcinogenic polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (cPAHs) have been found on the Site in

Comments Invited

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Submit Comments and Technical Questions to:

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Everett Public Library

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Ecology's Toxics Cleanup Website

<https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/gsp/Sitepage.aspx?csid=2581>

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upland soil. In addition, wood waste was found in upland soils and in adjacent in-water areas (embedded in the sediments).

Wood waste can smother nearshore habitat and animals such as clams, and can cause changes in water chemistry that harm marine and sediment ecosystems. PCB-contaminated soil was removed from the Site in 1985 and 1993, and much of the wood waste accumulated in the upland area was removed in 1995.

Amended Agreed Order

Ecology has developed an Amended Agreed Order that will expedite cleanup at the Site through an interim action. An interim action is a remedial action that partially addresses cleanup of a site. The Bay Wood Products Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (RI/FS) identified that on-site soil stockpiles (Figure 2) contaminated with cPAHs above the Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA) unrestricted cleanup level is media requiring cleanup in the Site uplands.

The stockpiles consist of soil and dredge material that originated from the construction of the Port of Everett's (Port) 14th Street bulkhead replacement project conducted in 2005 and 2006. The Amended Agreed Order requires the Port to remove the contaminated soil stockpiles and transport and dispose of the soil at an off-site approved landfill. The interim action is being conducted to expedite the upland area cleanup action for the Site, and will be designed to be consistent with the final cleanup action for the Site. The public is invited to review the Amended Agreed Order and the Interim Action Work Plan during this public review period.

Why This Cleanup Matters

Protecting and restoring Puget Sound

Governor Chris Gregoire and the Washington State Legislature established the Puget Sound Initiative to protect and restore Puget Sound. Seven embayments in Puget Sound have been identified as high-priority cleanup areas as part of this Initiative, including Port Gamble, Dumas Bay, Padilla and Fidalgo Bays, Port Angeles, Budd Inlet, and Port Gardner Bay. Combined, this work includes cleaning up 50-60 sites within one-half mile of the Sound. One of these is the Bay Wood Products Site. These cleanup actions will help to reduce pollution and restore habitat and shorelines in Puget Sound.

For more information about other cleanup sites: http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/tcp/sites/sites_information.html

What Happens Next?

When the public comment period ends on September 14, Ecology will review and consider all comments. Cleanup documents may be modified based on your comments. The Public Participation Plan for this Site is updated and has more information about the cleanup process and how you can get involved. Ecology will notify you about future cleanup work and public comment periods.

For information about other Ecology public comment periods, meetings, and other events, please visit Ecology's public events calendar at: <http://apps.ecy.wa.gov/pubcalendar/calendar.asp>.

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What can you do?

1. Read about the cleanup in this handout.
2. To get more detailed information, review the supporting documents at the locations listed on page one.
3. Write down your comments and questions. Send them to the Department of Ecology at the address shown on page one.

We appreciate your comments and concerns.
Thank you.



Figure 1 (left). The Bay Wood Products Site is located at 200 West Marine View Drive on Port Gardner Bay in Everett, WA. (Figure 1-1 from the RI/FS)

Figure 2 (below). Aerial photo of the Bay Wood Products Site on-site soil stockpiles. (Source: Department of Ecology Shorelands and Environmental Assistance Program, 2006)





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Ecology Seeks Public Comment on Draft Site Cleanup Documents

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