

TIKI CAR WASH



PUBLIC HEARING AND COMMENT PERIOD

This fact sheet has been prepared by the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) to inform you of environmental cleanup actions at the Tiki Car Wash site located at 11909 N.E 8th Street in Bellevue.

CONSENT DECREE PROPOSED

The proposed Consent Decree is between Ecology and the owner of Tiki Car Wash, Tiki Enterprises Inc.. The Consent Decree proposes to investigate petroleum contamination at the site (Remedial Investigation /Feasibility Study), and to develop and implement a Cleanup Action Plan.

A Consent Decree is a legal document, approved and issued by a court, which formalizes an agreement between Ecology and the Potentially Liable Persons (PLPs) on the actions needed at the site.

A Consent Decree was necessary at this site because Tiki Enterprises Inc., was determined to be eligible for state financial assistance for the cleanup.

The public is invited to comment on all Consent Decrees. After a public comment period, Ecology will file the Consent Decree with the appropriate superior court having jurisdiction over the site.

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

Public participation is a fundamental element of the Model Toxics Control Act (Initiative 97). This is your opportunity to give Ecology your feedback.

You will have a 30-day review and comment period, to submit written comments to Ecology's Northwest Regional Office regarding your concerns on this site. The following are the documents that will be available for review: the Public Participation Plan, the Proposed Consent Decree and the State Environmental Policy Act determination. These documents will be available for your review at the two locations mentioned in the box on the right.

Also, Ecology will hold a public hearing during the comment period at which you can get more information about the site and comment orally on the proposed Consent Decree and other documents.

Comment Period:

January 22 to February 20, 1993

Public Hearing:

When: February 4, 1993
Time: 7:00 PM
Place: Bellevue Library
11501 Main Street
Bellevue, WA 98004

SITE HISTORY

The Tiki Car Wash site is located at 11909 N.E. 8th Street in Bellevue, Washington. The property is currently used to operate a gas station and a car wash facility. It is located in a commercial strip and has been in operation since 1971.

The following is a chronological summary of the history of the site:

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Questions?

If you have questions or would like to be added to the mailing list, contact Urania Perez-Freedman at: (206) 649-7191

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- › In 1971, the property was purchased by H. Rand Ginn from a limited partnership and the current facility was constructed.
- › In 1973, Carl B. and Ruth E. Goodwin purchased the property from H. Rand Ginn.
- › Later in 1973, the current owner, Tiki Enterprises Inc., purchased the facility.
- › In June 1990, Ecology received a report that a release of petroleum compounds may have taken place on the car wash property. This report came as a result of an environmental assessment conducted on the property located southwest of Tiki Car Wash (Larry's Market).
- › In July 1990, an environmental investigation was initiated (monitoring well and soil borings) by a private consultant with the consent of Tiki Enterprises Inc. The investigation indicated petroleum contamination did exist at the car wash site but the exact source of the contamination was not identified. Note: Part of the Remedial Investigation at this site will be to identify the source of the contamination.
- › In December 1992, a Consent Decree was signed by Mr. Bollman, president of Tiki Enterprises Inc., to receive financial assistance from Ecology to clean up the site.

SCHEDULE (TIMELINE) FOR THE CLEANUP ACTIONS

Following the 30-day comment period, all comments received will be addressed in a document called a Responsiveness Summary. This document will be sent to all who submitted verbal or written comment. It will also be available at the information repositories for public review.

If no significant changes are made to the Consent Decree as a result of the public participation, a Remedial Investigation/ Feasibility Study (a study to determine the extent of the contamination and the evaluation of cleanup options) will begin following the 30-day comment period. This investigation may take up to 12 months.

When the Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study are complete, a plan outlining the final cleanup actions needed at the site will be written. At this time, the public will again be invited to review the proposal.

CONTACTS: If you need general information about public participation, contact Urania Perez-Freedman, at (206) 649-7191. Technical questions and comments on proposed Consent Decree should be directed to Ben Amoah-Forson, Project Manager, at (206) 649-7099.

Thank you for your interest!

