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RE: Path Forward at Sun Mart 21 in Naches

- **Site Name:** Sun Mart 21
- **Site Address:** 10173 US Highway 12, Naches
- **Facility/Site ID No.:** 59229114
- **Cleanup Site ID No.:** 6350
- **VCP Project No.:** CE0489

Dear Dan Blaes:

This letter outlines three requirements for site closure:

1. Evaluate the contaminant response to termination of air sparging.
2. Determine groundwater plume extent with down gradient well(s).
3. Perform a Terrestrial Ecological Evaluation (TEE).

Contaminant Response

Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) is pleased to see that the constituents in well MW-3 are below the MTCA Method A levels. Ecology requests that the next round of sampling occur without this summer's sparging event, to evaluate if contaminant levels will rebound above MTCA Method A levels. This step will determine if we can move to post-remediation monitoring or if further remedial efforts are necessary.

Plume Extent

In May of 2019, Ecology expressed concern of the groundwater plume existing down gradient of the Circle K property. Potentially Liable Persons (PLPs) are responsible for contamination at their site (facility).



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RCW 70.105D.020 (8b) defines a facility as *“any site or area where a hazardous substance, other than a consumer product in consumer use, has been deposited, stored, disposed of, or placed, or otherwise come to be located.”* Ecology expects at least one down gradient well be installed in an effort to determine the plume’s extent.

Terrestrial Ecological Evaluation

WAC 173-340-7490 (2) specifies required actions “in the event of a release of a hazardous substance to the soil at a site,” a TEE is one of these requirements. The TEE requirement can be satisfied through one of the following options:

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.

Please provide Ecology with the appropriate documentation to satisfy the TEE requirement. The enclosed form may help in this process.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact me at (509) 454-7833, or by email at Kyle.Parker@ecy.wa.gov.

Respectfully,



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Enclosure: (1) Voluntary Cleanup Program: Terrestrial Ecological Evaluation Form

cc: Kristi Hodge, Circle K Stores