

DEPARTMENT OF  
**ECOLOGY**  
State of Washington

**NOTICE OF DETERMINATION OF NON-SIGNIFICANCE (DNS)**

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**Project Name:** Kimberly-Clark Worldwide Site (Site) Upland Interim Actions

**Location:** The Site is located at 2600 Federal Avenue, Everett, Snohomish County, Washington. All of the property is located in Section 19 of Township 29 North, Range 5 East. The former Kimberly-Clark (K-C) Mill consists of 13 different tax parcels of land with a total area of approximately 68 acres, 56 acres of which constitute the Upland Area. This project is limited to activities on or relating to the Upland Area.

**Proponent:** The Department of Ecology's Toxics Cleanup Program

**Description of Proposal:** Concurrent with demolition of the mill, which has been addressed under a separate State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) determination, K-C will perform a Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (RI/FS) to determine the nature and extent of hazardous substances in Site media associated with the Upland Area (i.e., soil and groundwater) in accordance with the Agreed Order. Based on the results of the RI/FS study and prior environmental assessment, as well as on Site observations during demolition, K-C may, as appropriate, perform opportunistic interim remedial actions to remove hazardous substances during demolition of the mill. The opportunistic interim actions will be accomplished compliant with state law and city ordinances, and in accordance with the best management practices identified in the Interim Action Plan for the Upland Area.

**Lead Agency:** The lead agency under the State Environmental Policy Act is the Washington State Department of Ecology's (Ecology) Toxics Cleanup Program (TCP).

**Determination:** The proposed opportunistic interim actions will have long-term beneficial effects on the property and surrounding areas by permanently removing environmental contamination. Ecology's TCP has determined that these interim actions will not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment and therefore a Determination of Non-significance (DNS) is appropriate. As such, an environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)c. This decision was made after review of a completed SEPA checklist and other supporting documents.

This information is available to the public on request and is available for review at:

- The City of Everett Public Library: 2702 Hoyt Avenue, Everett, WA 98201
- The library is open: Mon. – Wed. 10 a.m. - 9 p.m.; Thurs. – Sat. 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.; Sun. 1 p.m. - 5 p.m.

The SEPA Checklist and complete DNS can also be reviewed on Ecology's website using the following weblink: <https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/gsp/Sitepage.aspx?csid=2569>

**Comment Period:** This DNS is issued under WAC 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 30-days from the date of publication listed below. Agencies, Tribes, and members of the public are invited to comment on the DNS. Written comments must be postmarked no later than November 14, 2012, and should be mailed to the Kimberly-Clark Worldwide Site Manager:

Andy Kallus, Site Manager  
Washington State Department of Ecology  
Toxics Cleanup Program  
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Comments may also be submitted to the Department of Ecology by:


- (a) E-mail to: [Andrew.Kallus@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:Andrew.Kallus@ecy.wa.gov) or,
- (b) Fax to (360) 407-7154

Comments will not otherwise be accepted by telephone or personal conversation.

Signed and dated this 4th day of October, 2012 by Tim Nord, Section Manager, SEPA Responsible Official.

DATE (Effective): October 15, 2012

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Tim Nord, Section Manager  
Ecology SEPA Responsible Official