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Subject: **Former Eatonville Landfill  
Facility Site ID Number: 85933**

Dear Ms. Wecker:

Weyerhaeuser is in receipt of your letter dated September 22, 2020, regarding the former Eatonville Landfill in Pierce County. This letter provides some background for Ecology's consideration.

Weyerhaeuser leased the site to the Town of Eatonville from 1950 until 1980 for use as a disposal site for the town garbage. Between 1996 and 2002, Weyerhaeuser conducted several studies of the landfill, (Parametrix, 1996; Emcon, 1999; Emcon, 2002) and developed alternatives for closure. These studies were presented to the Town of Eatonville and the Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department (TPCHD).

In 2002, Weyerhaeuser and the Town of Eatonville signed an agreement for landfill cover rehabilitation, to facilitate implementation of the selected design for landfill closure.

TPCHD's 2010 "Closed Landfill/Dumpsite Report" notes that an Engineering Design Report for landfill closure was submitted to TPCHP in 2001, but problems were encountered with Pierce County Planning & Land Services (PALS) that "ultimately killed the project."

Weyerhaeuser contracted with PES Environmental in 2012 to review regulatory requirements and prepare alternatives for closure. In 2014, Weyerhaeuser offered to present a summary of these alternatives for closure to the Town of Eatonville, but ultimately did not receive a response.

Weyerhaeuser has attempted to work cooperatively with the Town of Eatonville on landfill closure and will continue to do so because we believe the Town's participation is important as a party with financial responsibility for the site. We remain interested in potentially transferring the site to the Town's

ownership, and previously completed a transfer of the surrounding property to Washington State Parks. In the meantime, we are in the process of bringing on a new consulting firm to review the path forward.

Weyerhaeuser wishes to cooperate with Ecology to further investigate options for closure of this landfill site. Please contact me at (360) 562-7733 or [carol.wiseman@weyerhaeuser.com](mailto:carol.wiseman@weyerhaeuser.com) should you have any questions.

Regards,



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