

Wondrack (Ellensburg) Kittitas County



Agreed Order for RI/FS Proposed

The Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) and the Chevron Products Co. have agreed to a Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA, Chapter 70.105D RCW) Order to conduct a Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (RI/FS) of petroleum contaminated soil at the Wondrack (Ellensburg) property. An Agreed Order is a legal document between Ecology and Potentially Liable Person(s) to ensure that proposed site investigation and cleanup activities are conducted in a timely fashion in accordance with MTCA and other applicable laws and regulations.

Your comments on the proposed Agreed Order are welcome through **July 12, 2002**. The box at the right gives information about where to review the documents as well as where to submit comments.

Site Background

The site is located at the northwest corner of 15th Street and Water Street, Ellensburg, Washington. The Chevron Oil Company owned and operated this bulk fuel distribution site until 1981. The site is presently owned by Mr. Joseph Wondrack. The site has not operated for about 18 years.

Three feet of aged hydrocarbon soils were found in Water Street in the fall of 1996 during trenching for a new city sewer line. Subsequent sampling in the spring of 1997 on the Wondrack property by the Kittitas County Health Department under contract to Ecology found up to six feet thickness of aged hydrocarbons. Based on these soil analyses, Ecology scored the site by the Washington Ranking Method, one being the greatest potential risk to human health and the

environment, and five being the lowest. The site scored a "2".

Since 1997, the Chevron Products Company has had a consultant install eight monitoring wells to analyze groundwater quality. Analyses of the groundwater found low levels of diesel, gasoline, and BTEX (Benzene, Toluene, Ethylbenzene, and Xylenes). Lead was not analyzed for from these samples.

What is Being Done?

The proposed Agreed Order requires the Chevron Products Company to conduct a Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (RI/FS). The Remedial Investigation will determine the nature, extent, and magnitude of site contamination. The Feasibility Study will evaluate site cleanup alternatives. Ecology will oversee the project to ensure that all terms of the Agreed Order are satisfied.

Ecology Wants Your Comments!

You are invited to review and comment on the proposed Agreed Order through **July 12, 2002**. The public comment period presents an opportunity for your ideas and comments to be heard by Ecology. Information repositories are listed in the box to the right. Please submit your written comments to Dick Bassett, Site Manager, at the address listed in the box to the right. Ecology will review and respond to all comments received, and may revise the Agreed Order. Updates of site activities will be provided to those who submit comments or request to be placed on the site mailing list (if you received this fact sheet from Ecology, you are already on the site mailing list).

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**Documents are available for
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