Cascade Helicopters Chelan County



Site Cleanup Proposed

The Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) is providing an opportunity for the public to comment on the Cleanup Action Plan (CAP) and the issuance of a Determination of Nonsignificance (DNS) for the cleanup of pesticide contaminated soil at the former Cascade Helicopters site located at the Cashmere-Dryden Airport in Cashmere, Washington.

Site Background

Cascade Helicopters, Incorporated owned and operated an aerial pesticide applicator business on property located at the Cashmere-Dryden Airport from approximately 1973 through 2000.

Remedial Investigation/ Feasibility Study

The Remedial Investigation revealed soil contaminated with pesticides and petroleum products above regulatory levels in areas formerly used by Cascade Helicopters, Inc. The soil contamination is primarily located in the upper two feet of soil, but was shown to be located as deep as seven feet. No pesticide or petroleum contamination was detected in groundwater above human health based regulatory levels.

Seven cleanup action alternatives were evaluated in the Feasibility Study including: no action, institutional controls, containment, treatment (onand off-site), disposal (on- and off-site) and removal. The evaluation resulted in a preferred alternative consisting of soil removal and off-site disposal.

Cleanup Action Pan

The purpose of the Cleanup Action Plan (CAP) is to identify the cleanup actions selected by Ecology for the remediation of contaminated soils at the Cascade Helicopters Site. Ecology has selected excavation and off-site disposal as the cleanup action for the site.

Determination of Nonsignificance

After reviewing the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) environmental checklist, Ecology has determined that the Cleanup Action will not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment and an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is not required. The checklist may be reviewed at the locations listed in the information box on the right.

How Can You Be Involved?

You are invited to review and submit written comments on the CAP and DNS. The 30-day public comment period will run from August 8, 2003 through September 8, 2003. Ecology will respond in writing to all comments received and the CAP will be revised if necessary. The public is encouraged to participate in this process.

FACT SHEET August 2003

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Public Comment Period:

August 8, 2003 to September 8, 2003

Documents are available for public review at:

Ecology Central Regional Office address listed above, and

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