

Gebbers Farms Okanogan County



Cleanup Completed

The Washington State Department of Ecology has prepared this fact sheet pursuant to the Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA) Chapter 70.105D to provide you with information about the notice of satisfaction to the Enforcement Order at the Gebbers Farms Orchard near Brewster in Okanogan County.

Site Background

The site is located on P & G Road adjacent to the migrant worker camp and railroad tracks approximately 1.5 miles northeast of Anderson Field near Brewster. The property is owned by Gebbers Farms, Inc.

On October 13, 1989, Skagit County Department of Emergency Management informed Ecology of a complaint concerning dumping, burning, and burying of un rinsed and partially filled pesticide containers. On July 31, 1990, Ecology staff visited the site and confirmed that burning and dumping near the labor camp had occurred.

A report from the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry stated that the pesticide soil contamination at the dump site did not pose a threat to human health or the environment.

Three groundwater monitoring wells were installed in June 2002. Groundwater monitoring showed that contamination at the site did not pose a threat to human health or the environment.

Why Issue a Notice of Satisfaction?

As a result of the soil and groundwater sampling that has taken place at this site Ecology has determined that the site does not pose a threat to human health or the environment and is now proposing to issue a notice of satisfaction to the Enforcement Order for the Gebbers Farms site.

Ecology Wants Your Comments!

Ecology's proposal to issue a notice of satisfaction for the Gebbers Farms site is now open for a 30-day public comment period, between **May 12, 2004 and June 11, 2004**. The public comment period presents an opportunity to have your ideas and comments heard by Ecology. Documents pertinent to the notice of satisfaction are located in repositories listed in the box to the right. To review more detailed site documents, contact Ecology's Central Regional Office records center at (509) 454-7658 to schedule an appointment.

You are encouraged to submit your written comments to Brian T. Deeken, Site Manager, at the Ecology address listed in the box to the right. Ecology will review and respond to all comments received.

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Public Comment Period:

May 12, 2004 to
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Documents are available for public review at:

Ecology Central Regional Office
address listed above.

Brewster Public Library
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Gebbers Farms, Inc. Site Location Map

