

Amendment to Consent Decree Available for Public Comment

The Department of Ecology (Ecology) invites you to review and comment on the twelfth amendment to the Consent Decree (CD) for the site known as Tacoma Redevelopment Properties. Also known as Parcel 3, Site 4, the site is located on the 1500 block of Dock Street, on the Thea Foss Waterway.

A Consent Decree is a legal agreement between Ecology and one or more Potentially Liable Parties (PLPs). It is recorded with a court. In it, the PLPs agree to carry out cleanup actions at the site.

This amendment will add Tacoma Waterway, LLC to an existing consent decree between Ecology, the City of Tacoma, and the Foss Waterway Development Authority. Tacoma Waterway, LLC is being added to the CD because it bought a portion of the parcel for development purposes.

Site Background

The federal Superfund program identified the Thea Foss Waterway as a contaminated waterway in the 1980's. The sediments were polluted with heavy metals and polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs). Pollution on the shores of the waterway varies based on the historical uses of each area. Contaminants for this parcel and site include petroleum hydrocarbons, solvents, and metals.

The US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) oversees cleanup of the waterway sediments, and the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) oversees cleanup of contaminated lands surrounding the waterway or contributing to waterway contamination.

In 1994, Ecology entered into an area-wide consent decree with the City of Tacoma and the Tacoma Metropolitan Park District. Under the consent decree, they agreed to clean up abandoned industrial and commercial properties along Dock Street.

Ecology Wants Your Comments!

Ecology is accepting comments on the amended Consent Decree from **September 20 — October 22, 2012**. The box to the right shows document review locations and where to submit comments. Ecology will respond to comments at the end of the comment period.

Comments Accepted

September 20— October 22, 2012

Submit Comments and Technical Questions to:

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DOCUMENT REVIEW LOCATIONS

Tacoma Public Library
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(253) 591-5666

Citizens for a Healthy Bay
535 Dock Street, Suite 213
Tacoma, WA 98402
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Ecology's Toxics Cleanup Web site

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Tacoma Redevelopment Properties

Parcel 3, Site 4 Tacoma, WA

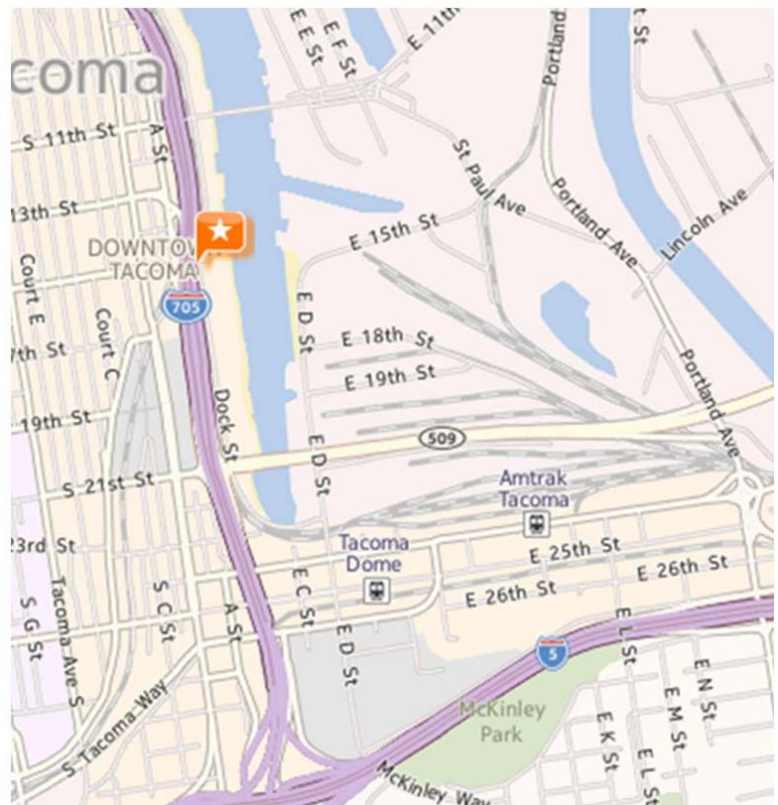
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