

Roby's Services



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Comments accepted:

July 6, 2016 to August 5, 2016

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Proposed Removal from the Hazardous Sites List Available for Review and Public Comment

The Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) is proposing to remove the Roby's Service Site, located at 800 Buena Road in Buena, Washington, from its Hazardous Sites List. The Hazardous Sites List is a statewide list of contaminated properties. The Site is currently ranked a "3" on the list. A rank of "1" is the highest level of concern compared to other sites on the list, and a rank of "5" is the lowest.

Ecology is asking for your comments on the proposed removal of the Site from the Hazardous Sites List. You are invited to:

- Review the Roby's Services Groundwater Monitoring Report Fourth Quarter 2013 and Robys Services Environmental Covenant.
- Send your comments to Ecology for consideration. Comments will be accepted July 6, 2016, through August 5, 2016

Site background

Roby's Services operated as a gas station and auto repair facility in Buena from the 1950s until approximately 2003. During a sewer system upgrade for the town in 1993, petroleum contamination was discovered at several sites within Buena, including Roby's Services. Ecology conducted soil and groundwater studies that included soil testing and the installation of 12 monitoring wells throughout the town of Buena to test groundwater. Five underground storage tanks (USTs) and their associated piping were dug up and removed by Ecology in 2001. Contaminated soils were found in the excavated tank pit.



Ecology's Toxics Cleanup Website

<https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/gsp/Sitepage.aspx?csid=1937>

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Cleanup Site ID: 1937

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Para asistencia en Español, llame 509-575-2490, o mande un correo electrónico al equipo de la lengua española de Ecología a preguntas@ecy.wa.gov.

In 2011, Ecology removed many site structures and concrete and pumped out a waste oil tank. Laboratory tests of the waste oil showed the polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) and lead. In 2012, the empty waste oil tank and the surrounding contaminated soil were dug up and removed from the site, and the pit was backfilled with clean fill.

Approximately 2,500 tons of soil and 122 tons of concrete debris were removed from the site and disposed of properly. Any remaining contaminated soil was addressed by adding a compound that helps enhance breakdown of the remaining petroleum contamination. Current testing shows any residual soil contamination is not impacting groundwater beneath the site. A barrier of native soil and vegetation will limit people's exposure to any potential contamination.

Why Issue a Decision of No Further Action?

Ecology has determined the site does not pose a threat to human health or the environment. Therefore, Ecology has issued a determination of No Further Action and has recommended removing the site from the Hazardous Sites List.

What Happens Next?

After the public comment period ends, Ecology will review comments received during the comment period. If no changes are necessary, the Site will be removed from the Hazardous Sites List.

For information about other opportunities for public involvement such as meetings, hearings, open houses and workshops, please visit Ecology's Public Involvement Calendar at <https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/publiccalendar/>

While you are at the calendar page, you may click on the link Frequently Asked Questions about Effective Public Commenting and learn more about the public comment process.

