

Gold Knob Prospects a.k.a. Saddle Rock Regional Park



Hikers on a trail at Saddle Rock Park

Comments accepted:

October 25 - November 24, 2018

Submit comments:

Online at:

<http://cs.ecology.commentinput.com/?id=C5mUi>

Or by mail to:

Frank Winslow - Site Manager
 1250 W Alder Street
 Union Gap, WA 98903-0009
 Phone: 509-454-7841
Frank.Winslow@ecy.wa.gov

Site info:

<https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/gsp/Sitepage.aspx?csid=11610>

Facility Site ID: 22496
 Cleanup Site ID: 11610

Document review locations:

Wenatchee Public Library
 310 Douglas Street
 Wenatchee, WA 98801-2834
 Phone: 509-662-5021
 Mon – Sat 9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.
 Sunday 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

WA Department of Ecology
 1250 W Alder Street
 Union Gap, WA 98903-0009
 Phone: 509-575-2027
 Mon – Fri 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
RecordsOfficer@ecy.wa.gov

Agreed Order Available for Review and Comment

The Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) is providing an opportunity for the public to comment on the Agreed Order for an Interim Remedial Action for the site known as either Gold Knob Prospects or Saddle Rock Regional Park located at 1200 Circle Street in Wenatchee.

Ecology is asking for your comments on the Agreed Order. You are invited to:

- Review the Agreed Order
- Send your comments to Ecology for consideration.

Comments will be accepted October 25, 2018 through November 24, 2018.

Site Background

The site has hiking trails to Saddle Rock above Wenatchee. These hiking trails are popular with recreational hikers.

In the late 1800's until 1989, mining exploration in the Saddle Rock area resulted in the creation of waste rock piles. These waste rock piles have high concentrations of arsenic, mercury, and selenium. To decrease human health and environmental risks, the waste rock piles will be removed and disposed of at the Wenatchee Regional Landfill.

Ecology has entered into an agreement with the City of Wenatchee for this work. The agreement is called an Agreed Order. The City of Wenatchee will be using state grant funds for the cleanup effort. The Agreed Order calls for a preliminary design and cost estimate, followed by bidding and selection of the cleanup contractor, and then final design with the cleanup, which will be documented in a report.

Why This Investigation Matters

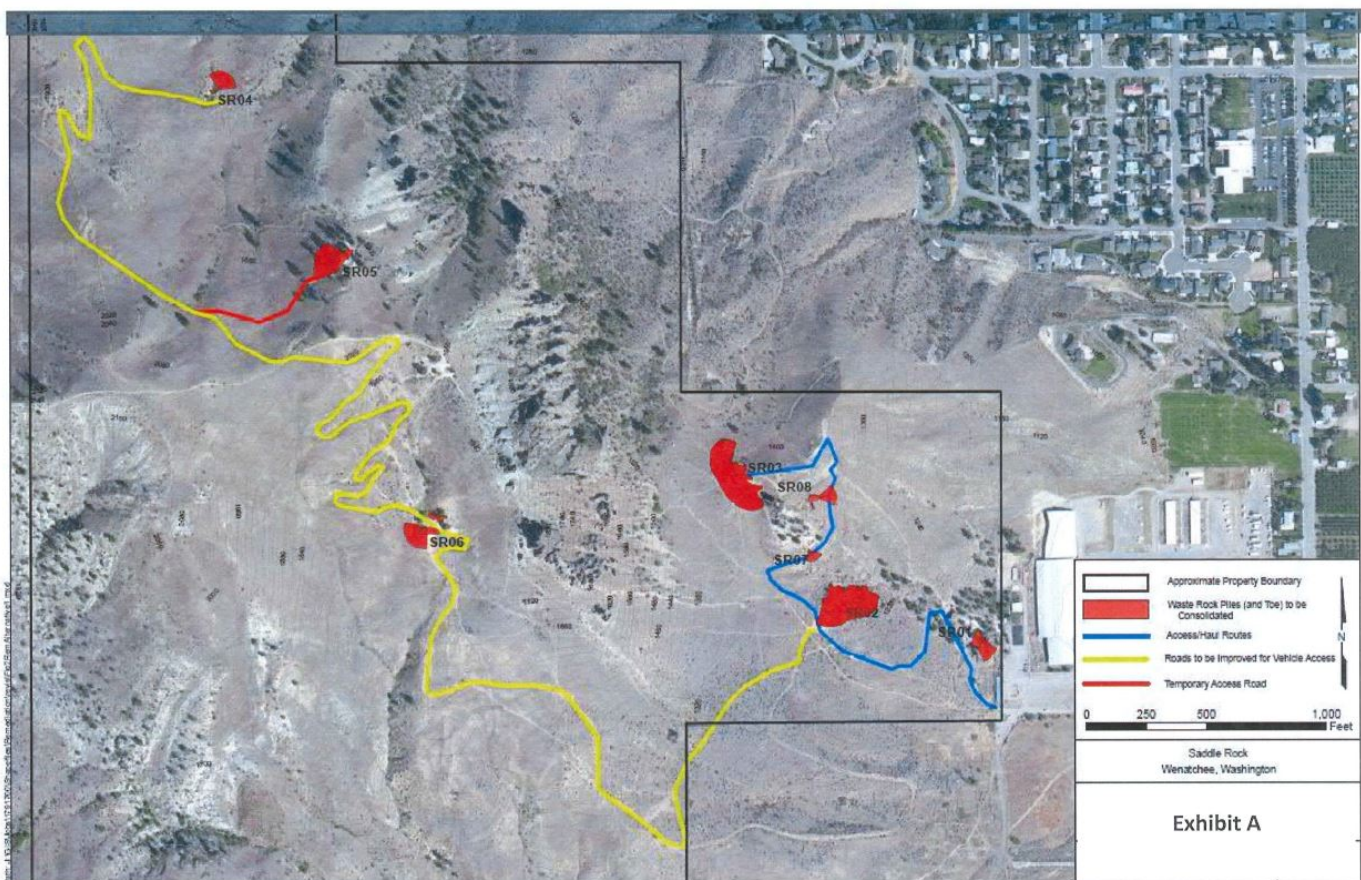
The arsenic and metals in soils exceeds state standards for the protection of human health and the environment. Cleanup will improve conditions at the site and reduce exposure to contaminants.

What Happens Next?

After the public comment period ends, Ecology will review and respond to comments received during the comment period. Ecology will hold a public meeting if 10 or more people request one.

For information about other opportunities for public involvement, such as meetings, hearings, open houses and worksops, please visit Ecology's Public Involvement Calendar at: <https://ecology.wa.gov/Events/Search/Listing>.

Gold Knob Prospects a.k.a Saddle Rock Regional Park Site Map



*Note: The Site is generally located at 1200 Circle Street in Wenatchee, and is defined by the extent of waste rock and soil contamination, not property boundaries. The mapped waste rock piles and associated downslope areas are shown in red.

Map source: HartCrowser 2013.

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