

# Port of Longview TPH



General area of Port of Longview TPH site

## CONTACT & INFORMATION

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November 25 – December 26,  
2018

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**Facility Site ID: 42978181**  
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## Draft legal agreement available for public comment

Ecology is entering into a formal legal agreement called an Agreed Order with the Port of Longview (Port), Chevron Environmental Management Company on behalf of Chevron U.S.A. Inc., a Delaware Corporation (CEMC), and Georgia-Pacific LLC (Georgia-Pacific) to study and cleanup contamination at the Port of Longview TPH site (site).

In the past, the site was used to transport and store petroleum products. Practices associated with the handling of petroleum and leaks from storage tanks and underground pipelines have contaminated soil and groundwater.

The Agreed Order requires the Port, CEMC, and Georgia-Pacific to

- Complete an Interim Action to reduce the risk of a release of hazardous substances. This project will take place before Ecology finalizes the draft cleanup plan.
- Evaluate the Interim Action work through a State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) review.
- Describe the types and extent of contamination, and compare cleanup options in a Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study.
- Choose cleanup methods in a draft Cleanup Action Plan.

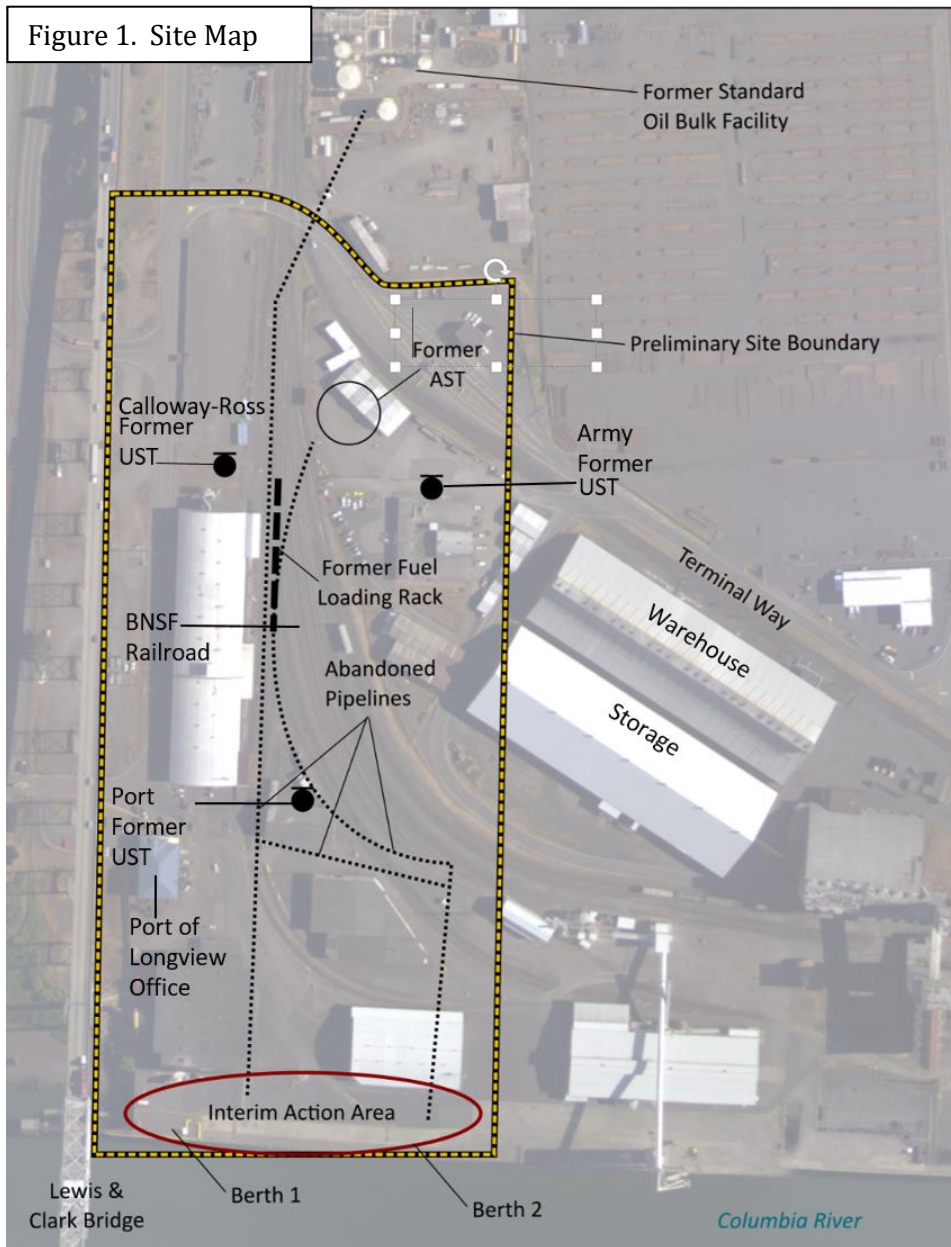
## Ecology wants to hear from you!

We invite you to comment on the Agreed Order and Interim Action Work Plan by **December 26, 2018**. You can also review and comment on a Public Participation Plan, which describes how Ecology will inform the community about site activities and opportunities to be involved in the cleanup process.

## Site background

The site is located in Longview, Washington, on a portion of the Port of Longview property zoned as Heavy Industrial. It is bordered by the Columbia River, the Lewis and Clark Bridge, an active lumber facility,

and an active bulk fuel facility. The Port and BNSF Railway have active rail lines within and across the site. Currently, the Port uses several buildings for port operations and storage of vehicles and heavy machinery. They use shipping berths 1 and 2 for the import and export of bulk products. See Figure 1.



Since the early 1900s, the site has served for storage or distribution of petroleum products by the Port, Calloway Ross, Inc., United States Army, Longview Fibre Company, Standard Oil Company of California, Crown Zellerbach, and Wilson Oil Inc. No petroleum products have been stored or distributed at the site since 1996.

Over time, several structures have been abandoned or removed, including:

- several underground petroleum pipelines,
- fuel loading racks,
- an aboveground storage tank (AST), and
- multiple underground storage tanks (USTs).

### Contamination

Past practices associated with the handling of petroleum and leaks from storage tanks and underground pipelines have contaminated soil and groundwater.

Between 1992 and 1998, the Port conducted several investigations, which showed contaminated soil and groundwater throughout the site.

In 2015, the Port conducted an additional investigation to better define the extent of contamination.

Contaminants identified so far include:

- Total petroleum hydrocarbons (TPH) in the gasoline and diesel carbon ranges.
- Volatile organic compounds (VOCs), such as BTEX (benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, and xylene)
- Polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs)

After long-term exposure, these chemicals can be harmful to the health of people and the environment.

## Cleanup that's already been completed

In 1996, the Port excavated contaminated soil near the former Calloway-Ross UST to about six feet below ground. Also in 1996, the Port removed approximately 800 cubic yards of contaminated soil in an area near the former AST. However, confirmation samples indicated concentrations remained above Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA) Method A state cleanup levels for unrestricted land use. They did not continue excavation due to high groundwater, sandy soils, and proximity to the BNSF rail lines. The Port continued to monitor groundwater between 1998 and 2014.

## Our first step: Interim actions


The pipelines under shipping berths 1 and 2 are corroded. In 2016, approximately 5 gallons of petroleum leaked from the pipelines. The Agreed Order requires the Port, CEMC, and Georgia-Pacific to complete an Interim Action to remove the pipelines to prevent further contamination of soil and water.

## Next steps

After the comment period ends, Ecology will respond to comments in a responsiveness summary. We will then finalize the interim action work plan. As cleanup moves forward, we will invite you to comment on the Remedial Investigation, Feasibility Study, and Cleanup Plan.

### ECOLOGY'S BASIC CLEANUP PROCESS



 Opportunities for public comment. We encourage feedback. Public comment periods are held at key times during the cleanup process.

## En Español

### Orden Acordada

Una limpieza ambiental se está llevando a cabo en Port of Longview. El borrador de un documento legal está disponible para comentario público. El documento describe quién es responsable de limpiar la contaminación y qué deben hacer para limpiarla.

### Plan de participación del público

Una limpieza ambiental se está llevando a cabo en Port of Longview. Un plan para la participación del público está disponible para comentario público. Este plan describe las herramientas que Ecología utilizará para informar al público y obtener comentarios públicos sobre documentos y decisiones de la limpieza.

Unáse al diálogo sobre Port of Longview. Cuando el período de comentarios termine, revisaremos los comentarios y haremos cambios antes de finalizar los documentos. Para más información en su idioma llame al (360) 407-6300 y solicite un intérprete. El borrador del documento en inglés está disponible en <https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/gsp/Sitepage.aspx?csid=9152> or Longview Public Library in English.





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## Ecology wants your comments on a draft Agreed Order and Public Participation Plan for the Port of Longview TPH site



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**Información en Español incluida.**

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