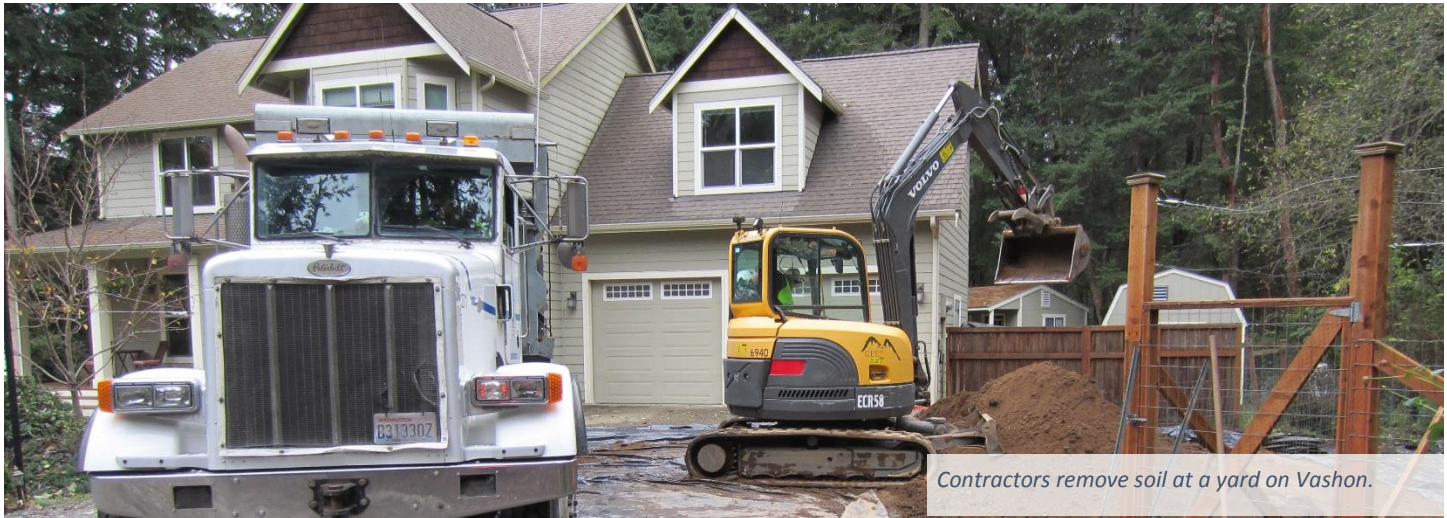


# Construction Alert: Vashon-Maury Island



Contractors remove soil at a yard on Vashon.

Para español, vea la página 3.

**Call the Project Line  
(360) 407-7688 (x 2)**

Please call if you have any concerns about a yard replacement site. Staff will return all calls by the next business day.

## Questions?

Crescent Calimpong  
 (360) 407- 6790  
[Crescent.Calimpong@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:Crescent.Calimpong@ecy.wa.gov)

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## Health Information and Soil Sampling

Public Health Seattle & King  
 County  
 (206) 477-1399  
[dirtalert@kingcounty.gov](mailto:dirtalert@kingcounty.gov)  
[kingcounty.gov/health/tsp](http://kingcounty.gov/health/tsp)

**Facility Site ID: 89267963**  
**Site Cleanup ID: 3657**

## Soil Replacement in Yards on Vashon-Maury Island

As part of Ecology's ongoing work to clean up arsenic and lead through the **Residential Yard Sampling and Cleanup Program**, we are working on 14 yards on Vashon-Maury Island (see map).

You are receiving this notice because your neighborhood is going to see increased traffic from construction vehicles February through June 2019.

## Construction schedule

**Equipment operation hours: 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

Monday through Friday and some Saturdays with permission from Ecology.

The work will be completed in phases, with multiple crews working at the same time. Construction on a single yard can take several months to complete. Please expect construction related traffic in the neighborhood.

**Please call us immediately if you see:**

- Dust in the air from construction
- Soil on the sidewalk or street.
- Mud or water running off the property.
- Dump trucks without covers.

## What to expect during construction

- Loud construction noise.
- Dump trucks and other equipment coming and going.
- Increased traffic on residential streets or private roads.

## Healthy Actions

**Please continue to enjoy your yard!** You can use Healthy Actions to protect your family:

<https://dirtalert.info/>



**WASH YOUR HANDS**  
with soap and water



**TAKE OFF YOUR SHOES**  
at the door



**WASH ALL FRUITS AND VEGETABLES**  
before eating

## Why is Ecology doing soil replacement on Vashon-Maury Island

For nearly 100 years, ASARCO operated a smelter in north Tacoma. Lead, arsenic and other heavy metals were carried by the wind, and settled on surface soils in King, Pierce and Thurston Counties.

While the smelter closed in 1986, arsenic and lead remain in the soil. In 2009, the State of Washington received a settlement from Asarco to replace soil in yards with arsenic over 100 parts per million (ppm). As a state agency, Ecology runs the Yard Program, removing and replacing soil in the most contaminated areas of the Tacoma Smelter Plume.

The Yard Program is for existing residential properties within the Yard Program Service Area, and is completely voluntary (see map on front for Yard Program Service Area). The goal of the program is to reduce exposure to contaminated soil in areas of the yard that people use most. The program does not address contamination on vacant, agricultural land, or forested areas.

## What's in the soil in my yard?

If you live in the Yard Program Service Area, we may already have sampling results for your yard. Your sampling results and cleanup record are publicly available online. To check, visit our database:

<https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/dirtalert/>

If you do not find results on the database, you may qualify for free soil sampling. Contact the Department of Ecology (see box on front) for more information.

## Does my yard qualify for soil replacement?

Ecology replaces soil in areas of the yard with arsenic over 100 ppm. Not all yards qualify for free soil replacement. If you would like to know if your yard qualifies, check our online database, or call the project line at (360) 407-7688 (press 2).

## Our Yard, Our Health: Take Healthy Actions

Healthy Actions are simple things you and your family can do to reduce contact with arsenic and lead in dirt. Healthy Actions are for everyone. They are simple practices like taking your shoes off at the door, or washing your hands after working or playing outside.

To learn more about our program, please visit our webpage:

<http://ecology.wa.gov/Tacoma-smelter>

## Remplazo de suelo en patios en Vashon-Maury Island (Spanish)

Como parte del trabajo que Ecología tiene en marcha para limpiar el arsénico y el plomo a través del Programa de Muestreo y Limpieza de Patios Residenciales, estamos trabajando en 14 patios en Vashon-Maury Island (vea el mapa).

Usted ha recibido esta notificación porque su vecindario va a notar un incremento en el tráfico de vehículos de construcción de febrero a junio del 2019.

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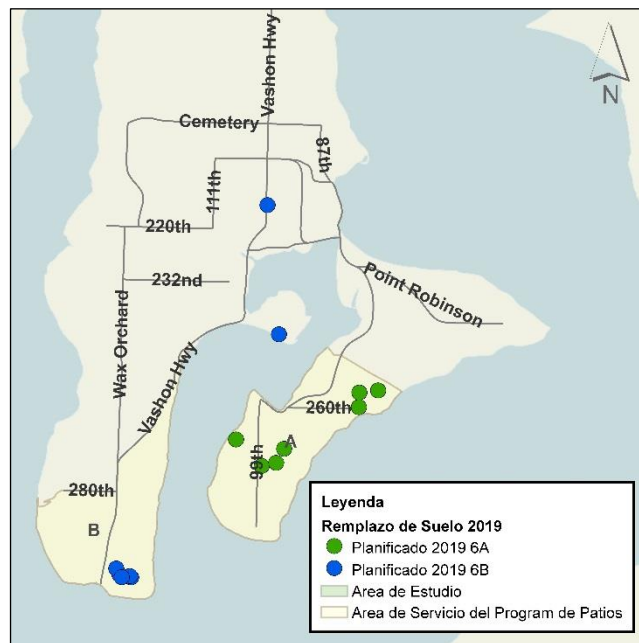
**Horario de operación de equipo pesado: de 8:00 a.m. a 5:00 p.m.** De lunes a viernes y en algunos sábados con el permiso de Ecología.

**Por favor, llámenos inmediatamente si ve:**

- Polvo en el aire de la construcción.
- Suelo en la acera o en la calle.
- Lodo o escorrentía fuera de la propiedad.
- Camiones de tumba sin cubiertas.

### ¿Qué puede esperar durante la construcción?

- Ruidos de construcción en alto volumen.
- Ir y venir de camiones de tumba y otros equipos.
- Incremento en tráfico en vías residenciales y caminos privados.



Construcción planificada para el 2019.

### ¿Qué es lo que hay en el suelo de mi patio?

Si usted vive dentro del Área de Servicio del Programa de Patios, es posible que ya tengamos resultados de muestreo y archivos de limpieza para su patio. Sus resultados de muestreo y rarchivos de limpieza están disponibles al público en línea. Para verificar, visite nuestra base de datos en:

<https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/dirtalert/>

### ¿Cualifica mi patio para el remplazo de suelo?

Ecología reemplaza el suelo en áreas del patio con niveles de arsénico por encima de 100 ppm. No todos los patios cualifican para el remplazo de suelo gratis. Si usted desea saber si su patio cualifica, consulte nuestra base de datos en línea, o llame a la línea del proyecto al (360) 407-7688 (marque el 2).

**¿Preguntas?** Si no encuentra resultados en la base de datos o tiene preguntas, por favor comuníquese con el Departamento de Ecología al (360) 407-6790.

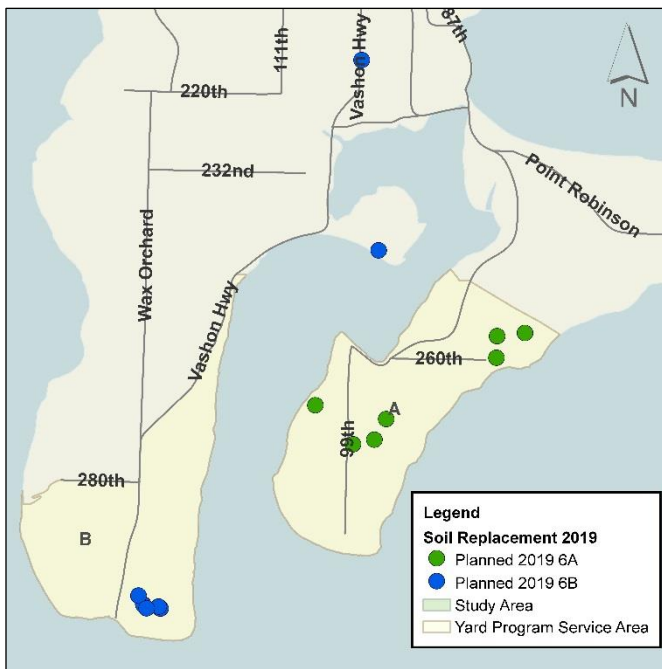
### Nuestro patio, nuestra salud: tome acciones saludables

Acciones saludables son cosas sencillas que usted y su familia pueden hacer para reducir el contacto con arsénico y plomo en el suelo. Las acciones saludables son para todos. Son hábitos simples como quitarse los zapatos en la puerta, o lavarse las manos luego de trabajar o jugar afuera. Para aprender más acerca de las acciones saludables, por favor visite nuestra página web:

<https://ecology.wa.gov/Spills-Cleanup/Contamination-cleanup/Dirt-Alert-program/Acciones-saludables>



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*Planned 2019 construction.*

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### Soil Replacement in Yards on Vashon-Maury Island

In 2019, the Washington Department of Ecology (Ecology) is removing contaminated soil from 14 residential yards on Vashon-Maury Island (see map).

This work is part of the Residential Yard Sampling and Cleanup Program (Yard Program). We replace arsenic and lead contaminated soil from the former Asarco copper smelter in Tacoma.

### Questions

Call the Tacoma Smelter Plume Project line: **(360) 407-7688, press 2**

**Información en Español incluida**

**Accommodation Requests:** To request ADA accommodation including materials in a format for the visually impaired, call Ecology at 360-407-6790 or visit <https://ecology.wa.gov/accessibility>. People with impaired hearing may call Washington Relay Service at 711. People with speech disability may call TTY at 877-833-6341.