Beebe Orchard Dump Douglas County



Proposed Delisting from Hazardous Sites List Available for Public Review and Comment

Ecology is proposing to remove the Beebe Orchard Dump site from its Hazardous Sites List. The site is located past Chelan Falls off of Highway 97 N, near McNeil Canyon; Corral Creek flows on the north side of the dump site. The site is currently ranked a "5" 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.

Site Background

The approximately 3-acre site is an old burn dump; it was used between the early 1900s and well into the 1990s. The site was used as a burn dump for household trash, orchard waste and, of greater concern, as a pesticide disposal site. The major contaminants of concern include pesticides, petroleum hydrocarbons, and petroleum-related semi-volatile organic compounds. More than likely, throughout the years, it became a general all-purpose dump site for all sorts of waste. Because the site was used for so long, it became necessary to adequately investigate the site to determine potential contaminants. This waste characterization effort was conducted by Hammond Collier Wade Livingstone (HCWL) of Wenatchee between December 2001 and February 2002.

Site Remediation

Upon completion of the waste characterization efforts by HCWL, a Work Plan was developed and submitted to Ecology during April 2002. This Work Plan was approved. Work plan implementation started during April 2002. As a result, 8,150 cubic yards of waste were removed from the dump site including 36 empty or nearly-empty 5gallon pesticide containers. Lastly, confirmational samples were taken. All sample results came back within acceptable state cleanup levels.

Based upon a review of cleanup and sampling reports, Ecology has determined this site no longer poses a threat to human health and the environment and has recommended removing the site from the Hazardous Sites List.

Request for Public Comments

Before a site can be taken of the list, Ecology needs your input! Therefore, Ecology's proposal to delist the Beebe Orchard Dump site is now open for a 30-day public comment period, between August 5, 2002 and September 4, 2002. Documents pertinent to the delisting are available at the repositories listed in the box. Please submit your comments to Brian Deeken, Site Manager, at the Ecology address listed in the box.

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