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This periodic publication alerts the public to the availability of reports, public comment periods, and other activities related to the study and cleanup of hazardous waste sites under Chapter 70.105D RCW, the MODEL TOXICS CONTROL ACT, and in accordance with WAC 173-340-600. Direct questions regarding SITE REGISTER circulation to Sherrie Minnick

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Area-wide Lead & Arsenic Soil Contamination Project Task Force Meeting 8

The next meeting will be held on **January 16, 2003**, from 9 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Central Washington University, Lombard Room (across from the Courson Conference Center), 400 E. 8th Ave., Ellensburg. The public is welcome to attend, and opportunities for public comment are scheduled during the meeting.

Planned agenda items include the following:

- Review and discuss main features of emerging convergence on broad-based education and awareness building;
- Review and discuss main features of emerging convergence on child-use areas;
- Review and discuss main features of emerging convergence on developed commercial areas.

Parking & Directions: Parking is available on campus for \$2.00. Please refer to the Area-wide Website for driving directions and other information about the meeting at:

www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/tcp/area_wide/Agenda/mtg_announce.htm

Background Information: The Washington State Legislature appropriated \$1.2 million to prepare a statewide strategy to address area-wide soil contamination. The main focus for the project will be on areas with low to moderate levels of lead and arsenic that have been developed into residential neighborhoods, schools, daycares, and parks. The departments of Ecology, Agriculture, Health, and Office of Community Development are examining these issues and concerns and will develop a more effective strategy for responding to widespread arsenic and lead-soil contamination.

A central feature of the project is the Area-Wide Soil Contamination Task Force. Their role is to provide a recommendation to the four agencies on actions that can be taken to improve the ways in which area-wide soil contamination problems are addressed in Washington State.

The task force is comprised of 18 members, including representatives of local government, elected officials, agriculture, environment, business/development, finance, and education/schools. They are expected to complete their work by June 2003.

For more information about the meeting, please contact Dawn Hooper, Department of Ecology, (360) 407-7182 or e-mail dhoo461@ecy.wa.gov.

Negotiations for Consent Decree to Implement Cleanup Action Plan – Yakima Valley Spray, Facility Site ID No. 445, 1108 S. 1st St., Yakima, 98901, Yakima County

Ecology and 10 Potentially Liable Persons (PLPs) **commenced negotiations on October 11, 2002, to develop a Consent Decree** to implement a Cleanup Action Plan at the Yakima Valley Spray site.

A Consent Decree is a legal agreement filed in court. The work requirements in the decree and the terms under which it must be done are negotiated and agreed to by the potentially liable person(s), Ecology, and the state Attorney General's office. Once completed, the draft Consent Decree will be available for public review and comment.

The Cleanup Action Plan identifies the cleanup method and specifies cleanup standards and other requirements at the site.

Last year, an Enforcement Order was issued to U-Haul of Inland Northwest (the property owner) to implement a Cleanup Action Plan. Since then, however, the company has filed Chapter 11 bankruptcy.

For more information, please contact Dick Bassett, Site Manager, at (509) 454-7839 or e-mail rbas461@ecy.wa.gov.

Draft Consent Decree Available for Public Review & Comment – Manhole 34, Facility Site ID No. 470, 600-601 & 612 Hwy 12, Sunnyside, 98944, Yakima County

Ecology and Atlantic Richfield, ChevronTexaco, and Time Oil are **proposing a Consent Decree** that will resolve their liability at the Manhole 34 site. Specifically, the Consent Decree requires the parties to clean up and monitor the site. Additionally, they have agreed to provide \$10,000 in college scholarship funds to Sunnyside High School.

The draft Consent Decree is available for review at the following locations:

- Sunnyside Library, 621 Grant Ave., Sunnyside
- Department of Ecology, Central Regional Office, 15 W. Yakima Ave., Suite 200, Yakima WA 98902

For more information or to submit written comments, please contact Norm Hepner, Site Manager, at the Ecology address listed above or at (509) 457-7127, e-mail nhep461@ecy.wa.gov.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD 1/2/03 - 1/31/03

Draft Consent Decree Available for Public Review & Comment - *Former Scott Paper Mill - Port of Anacortes Property, Facility Site ID No. 23953, located at Q Ave. and 17th St., Anacortes, 98221, Skagit County*

Ecology and the Port of Anacortes are **proposing a Consent Decree** to conduct a Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study at three parcels and the associated marine area at the northern portion of the former Scott Paper Mill site.

The Scott Paper Mill used an acid sulfite process to produce cellulose pulps. In the process, liquid and semi-solid wastes were discharged into unlined earthen-bermed ponds at Q Avenue and 17th Street, into Fidalgo Bay, and into Guemes Channel. The northern portion of the upland site was re-platted into what is currently referred to as Parcels 1, 2, and 3. Parcel 1 is a vacant lot along Q Avenue. Parcel 2 is presently owned and operated by Sun Healthcare Systems, Inc. In 1998, the company entered Ecology's Voluntary Cleanup Program and received a No Further Action determination for soil after a Restrictive Covenant was placed on the property deed. Parcel 3 is Seafarers' Memorial Park. The marine area extends eastward from the park's shoreline to the inner harbor line.

The draft Consent Decree calls for the following actions:

- Completion of a Remedial Investigation and development of a Feasibility Study for soils and ground water on the uplands (all three parcels) and the marine area;
- If necessary, completion of a Cleanup Action Plan and cleanup of soil at Parcel 1.

The draft Consent Decree is available for review at the following:

- Municipal Building, 6th Street & Q Avenue, Anacortes
- Department of Ecology, Northwest Regional Office, 3190 160th Ave. SE, Bellevue WA 98009, (425) 649-7190 (please call for an appt.)
- www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/tcp/sites/sites.html

For more information or to submit written comments, please contact Ron Timm, Site Manager, at the Ecology address listed above or at (425) 649-7185, e-mail rtim461@ecy.wa.gov.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: 12/23/02 - 1/21/03

Amendment to Cleanup Action Plan, SEPA Addendum, and Cleanup Plans Available for Public Review & Comment - *Everett Smelter Slag Site, Facility Site ID No. 2744, SR 529 & E. Marine View Drive, Everett, 98201, Snohomish County*

Asarco's *cleanup plan* for removing the most highly contaminated soil from the Everett Smelter site is now available for public review and comment. The plan calls for removing soil with arsenic concentrations of 150 parts per million (ppm) and above located in the fenced area of the site. The area will then be re-graded, covered with clean fill, and deemed suitable for residential re-development.

The original cleanup plan required Asarco to remove all soil with arsenic concentrations exceeding 3,000 ppm, both in and outside of the fenced area. In addition, the fenced area was to be used as a "consolidation facility" to store less-contaminated soils from cleanup actions outside of the fenced area.

Asarco's proposal is described in an amendment to the Cleanup Action Plan and addendum to the Environmental Impact Statement. Both documents are available for review at the following locations:

- Everett Public Library, 2702 Hoyt Avenue, Everett, (425) 257-8000
- Asarco Everett Information Center, 545 Hawthorne St., Everett, (425) 259-0822
- Department of Ecology, Northwest Regional Office, 3190 160th Ave. SE, Bellevue WA 98008, please call Sally Perkins at (425) 649-7190 for an appointment.
- Ecology's Web Site: www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/tcp/sites/sites.html

Open House & Public Meeting - January 16, Open House at 6:30 p.m., Public Meeting at 7:00 p.m., Everett Community College*, Jackson Hall, Jackson Conference Room, 2000 Tower St., Everett.

*Parking permits are available in the Security Office in the Parks Building.

For more information or to submit written comments, please contact David L. Smith, Site Manager, at the Ecology Address listed above or at (425) 649-7200, e-mail dsou461@ecy.wa.gov.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: 12/30/02 - 1/28/03

Draft Consent Decree Available for Public Review & Comment - *Mica Landfill, Facility Site ID No. 633, Hidden Hollow Drive, Mica, 99023, Spokane County*

The *draft Consent Decree to implement the Cleanup Action Plan* at the Mica Landfill Superfund site is available for public review and comment through January 20, 2003. Associated documents that include the Scope of Work, Schedule, Restrictive Covenants, and amended Public Participation Plan are also available for public comment.

The Consent Decree is a legal document that formalizes the agreement between Ecology and Spokane County. Approved by a judge, it describes the responsibilities of the parties in implementing the cleanup of site-related contaminants. The Scope of Work outlines documents to be submitted by Spokane County which will describe in detail how the Cleanup Action Plan will be implemented. The Schedule provides a timeline for submission of these documents.

Landfill operations began in 1972. An estimated average of 65,000 tons per year of mixed municipal wastes, industrial wastes, and sludge were disposed at the site until it closed in 1991—when the Spokane Waste to Energy Plant came into operation.

Contaminants at the site include organic and inorganic pollutants found in leachate. Leachate is water that becomes chemically altered because of contact with landfill wastes. Landfill gas is also present at the site.

The Cleanup Action Plan selected the Interim Action as the preferred cleanup. It includes the following:

- Contain and isolate waste with a multimedia cover system;
- Control leachate through collection blankets, trenches, and holding ponds;
- Control landfill gas through collection trenches and wells manifolded to a series of passive flare units where gas is ignited;
- Monitor ground water and require institutional controls;
- Conduct five-year reviews to ensure the cleanup action is performing as expected.

The draft Consent Decree and associate documents are available for review at the following locations:

- Spokane Public Library, 906 W. Main Ave., Spokane
- Spokane County Public Library, 12004 E. Main Ave., Spokane
- Spokane County Utilities, 1026 W. Broadway Ave., Spokane
- Department of Ecology, Eastern Regional Office, 4601 N. Monroe, Spokane WA 99205-1295

For more information or to submit written comments, please contact Sandra Treccani, Site Manager, at the Ecology address listed above or at (509) 329-3412, e-mail satr461@ecy.wa.gov.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: 12/19/02 - 1/20/03

VOLUNTARY CLEANUP PROGRAM

Through its Voluntary Cleanup Program, Ecology provides services to individuals cleaning up contaminated sites. For a fee, Ecology staff will review an independent cleanup report(s) and provide a written decision about the adequacy of the cleanup actions taken and described in the report. Upon a satisfactory review, a site (or just that phase of the cleanup) may receive a “No Further Action” decision from Ecology. The following reviews have been completed and decisions rendered.

Clark County - Clark PUD, Facility Site ID No. 74761439, 8600 NE 117th Ave., Vancouver, 98662

Ecology’s Voluntary Cleanup Program has reviewed an independent cleanup report relating to this site. Based on this information, Ecology has concluded the release addressed in this report does not represent a threat to human health and the environment and has issued a **No Further Action** letter. For more information, please contact Jennifer Taylor at (360) 690-4798 or e-mail jtay461@ecy.wa.gov.

Clark County - Tosco Corporation Site 257323-31299, Facility Site ID No. 11251483, 7801 NE Hwy 99, Vancouver, 98665

Ecology’s Voluntary Cleanup Program has reviewed an independent cleanup report relating to this site. Based on this information, Ecology has concluded the release addressed in this report does not represent a threat to human health and the environment and has issued a **No Further Action** letter. For more information, please contact Craig Rankine at (360) 690-4795 or e-mail cran461@ecy.wa.gov.

Snohomish County - Exxon Co USA 74190, Facility Site ID No. 81968691, 17523 Hwy 99 S., Lynnwood, 98037

Ecology’s Voluntary Cleanup Program has reviewed an independent cleanup report relating to this site. Based on this information, Ecology has concluded the release addressed in this report does not represent a threat to human health and the environment and has issued a **No Further Action** letter. For more information, please contact Teri Fisher at (425) 649-4446 or e-mail tfis461@ecy.wa.gov.

Spokane County - Gull Exxon 608, Facility Site ID No. 75975328, 1521 N. Argonne Road, Spokane, 98124

Ecology’s Voluntary Cleanup Program has reviewed an independent cleanup report relating to this site. Based on this information, Ecology has concluded the release addressed in this report does not represent a threat to human health and the environment and has issued a **No Further Action** letter. For more information, please contact Patti Carter at (509) 329-3522 or e-mail paca461@ecy.wa.gov.

Spokane County - Kardstop 2647 (aka Tesoro Station #62142), Facility Site ID No. 53324315, 1127 W. Northwest Blvd., Spokane, 99205, Spokane County

Ecology’s Voluntary Cleanup Program has reviewed an independent cleanup report relating to this site. Based on this information, Ecology has concluded the release addressed in this report does not represent a threat to human health and the environment and has issued a **No Further Action** letter. For more information, please contact Patti Carter at (509) 329-3522 or e-mail paca461@ecy.wa.gov.

Spokane County - North Division Shell, Facility Site ID No. 49677438, 10222 N. Division St., Spokane, 99218

Ecology’s Voluntary Cleanup Program has reviewed an independent cleanup report relating to this site. Based on this information, Ecology has concluded the release addressed in this report does not represent a threat to human health and the environment and has issued a **No Further Action** letter. For more information, please contact Patti Carter at (509) 329-3522 or e-mail paca461@ecy.wa.gov.