



Site Register

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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 at (360) 407-7200 or shan461@ecy.wa.gov. Ecology's telecommunications device for the deaf (TTY) numbers are: Headquarters 711 or (800) 833-6388, Southwest Regional Office (360) 407-6306, Northwest Regional Office (425) 649-4259, Central Regional Office (509) 454-7673, Eastern Regional Office (509) 458-2055. The Department of Ecology is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

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Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA) Remedial Action Tax Exemption to Sunset on June 30, 2003

Tax incentives for environmental remedial actions will sunset on June 30, 2003. This means that the reduced Business & Occupation (B & O) tax rate and sales tax exemptions for remedial actions will no longer apply after that date. Any work completed after June 30 is subject to the same taxes charged to other consulting engineering and construction services. The Brownfields Tax Incentive will still apply, however.

The Brownfield Tax Incentive permits a taxpayer to treat a qualified environmental remedial expense as a deductible expense in the year incurred. In general, this exemption applies to property used for business purposes and for which there has been a release or threat of release or disposal of a hazardous substance.

Verification of the release may be obtained from the Department of Ecology. You may receive a statement verifying that a release occurred by providing appropriate documentation to Sherrie Minnick, Department of Ecology, Toxics Cleanup Program, PO Box 47600, Olympia WA 98504-7600 or e-mail shan461@ecy.wa.gov.

For more information about the Brownfields Tax Incentive, please see EPA's Web Site at <http://www.epa.gov/swerosps/bf/bftaxinc.htm#about> or contact Timothy Brincefield at EPA's Seattle Office at (206) 553-2100.

If you have further questions regarding taxing of remedial actions, please contact your local Department of Revenue office or Gary Davis at the Department of Revenue's Taxpayer Services Office at (360) 486-2145.

Proposed Delisting from Hazardous Sites List Available for Public Review & Comment – *Glens Metals (former), Facility Site ID No. 583, 1104 E. Lewis, Pasco, 99301, Franklin County*

Ecology is *proposing to remove the former Glens Metals* site from its Hazardous Sites List. The site is currently ranked “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.

A battery recycling business operated at the site until the late 1980s. As part of the recycling operation, a lined evaporation pond was constructed in late 1973 to store chemicals released from recycled batteries. Due to a potential sale of the property, soil samples were taken in April 1990 from the bottom of the evaporation pit at five locations. Results of the sampling showed lead contamination in soil.

The cleanup involved removing soil 4-5 feet below the evaporation pit liner. In total, 16 drums of lead-contaminated soil were taken to the Chemical Waste Management facility in Arlington, Oregon for disposal. Additional soil was removed in October 2002, and follow-up sampling confirmed the contaminated soil was removed. The site is now used as a parking lot and shop facility for an asphalt company.

The recommendation for removal from the list is based upon review of the Final Independent Cleanup Report submitted to Ecology in October 2002. This report was completed under the Voluntary Cleanup Program (VCP). Based upon review of the report and supporting VCP documents, Ecology has concluded the site no longer represents a threat to human health and/or the environment, the remedial actions conducted at the site satisfy the intent of the Model Toxics Control Act, and No Further Action is needed.

Documents may be reviewed at Ecology’s Eastern Regional Office, 4601 North Monroe, Spokane, WA 99205.

For more information or to submit written comments, please contact Patti Carter, Site Manager, at the Ecology address listed above or at (509) 329-3522 or e-mail paca461@ecv.wa.gov. Para asistencia en Espanol: Sr. Antonio Valero, (509) 454-7840, e-mail: aval461@ecv.wa.gov.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: 6/19/03 - 7/18/03

SITE HAZARD ASSESSMENTS

If it is determined that further work is required at a site after an initial investigation, a site hazard assessment may be conducted at the site that provides Ecology with basic information about the site. With that information, the Washington Ranking Method is used to estimate the potential threat the site poses, if not cleaned up, to human health and the environment.

Site hazard assessments will be conducted on the below-named sites. Their hazard ranking or determination of No Further Action will be published in the August 2003 Hazardous Sites List.

Spokane County – Contact Michael LaScuola, Spokane Regional Health District, (509) 324-1574
Plaza Grange Supply, Facility Site ID No. 8808522, 36510 S. Old State Route 195, Plaza, 99028
WA WSU Academic Building Site, Facility Site ID No. 4385472, 310 N. Riverpoint Blvd., Spokane, 99202

Indoor Air & Ground Water Cleanup Update Available – Cadet Manufacturing, Facility Site ID No. 85381664, 2500 W. Fourth Plain Blvd., Vancouver, 98660, Clark County

The Cadet Manufacturing site is an active manufacturing facility that produces electric heaters. The site is ranked “2” 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.

From 1964 to 1976, Cadet Manufacturing used the solvent, trichloroethylene, to clean metal parts. Over the years it is believed the solvent seeped into the soil and then into ground water. Currently, the contamination is evaporating from the contaminated ground water, moving through the soil as a vapor, and entering breathable air in some homes.

Ecology, the Department of Health, and Cadet Manufacturing are working together to assess the environmental and public health effects from the contamination.

Ecology has prepared three documents to assist the public and answer their concerns. They include:

- Cadet and Fruit Valley Neighborhood Indoor Air and Ground Water Cleanup Status Update No. 1, June 16, 2003
- Focus on Indoor Air
- Cadet and Fruit Valley Neighborhood Indoor Air and Ground Water Cleanup Schedule

You may receive copies of the documents by contacting Craig Rankine, Site Manager, at (360) 690-4795 or e-mail cran461@ecv.wa.gov.

Proposed Delisting from Hazardous Sites List Available for Public Review & Comment – Pope & Talbot Industrial Landfill 1, Facility Site ID No. 93181417, Teekalet Ave., Port Gamble, 98364, Kitsap County

Ecology is *proposing to remove* the Pope & Talbot Industrial Landfill 1 site from its Hazardous Sites List. Pope & Talbot, Inc. operated Landfill 1 from the 1950s to 1980s to store waste from its sawmill operations. The site is ranked “2” 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.

From March to August 2002, the waste was excavated and sent to a permitted solid waste facility for disposal. After the excavation, the soil, sediments, and ground water were sampled for petroleum hydrocarbons and heavy metals and were found to meet state cleanup standards.

Based on the sampling results, Ecology has determined the site no longer poses a threat to human health or the environment and is proposing to remove the site from the Hazardous Sites List.

Documents are available for review at the Department of Ecology, Northwest Regional Office, 3190 160th Ave. SE, Bellevue WA 98008, (425) 649-7190, please call for an appointment.

For more information or to submit written comments, please contact John Keeling, Site Manager, at the Ecology address listed above or at (425) 649-7052, e-mail jkee461@ecy.wa.gov.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: 6/11/03 – 7/10/03

Agreed Order for Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study Available for Public Review & Comment – Harris Avenue Shipyard, Facility Site ID No. 2922, 201 Harris Ave., Bellingham, 98225, Whatcom County

Ecology and the Port of Bellingham are *proposing an Agreed Order to conduct a Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study* at the Harris Avenue Shipyard site. The Agreed Order is available for public review and comment through July 9, 2003. Harris Avenue Shipyard is ranked “2” on the Hazardous Sites List.

The purpose of the Remedial Investigation is to determine the nature and extent of sediment contamination at the site. With that information, a Feasibility Study will be prepared that evaluates cleanup alternatives.

Sampling conducted over the years indicates the main contaminants of concern are copper, zinc, polychlorinated biphenyls, and phenol. A draft Sampling Plan is included in the Agreed Order that identifies sampling needed to supplement existing data.

The Agreed Order is available for review at the following locations:

- Bellingham Public Library, 210 Central Ave., Bellingham
- Department of Ecology, Bellingham Field Office, 1204 Railroad Ave., Suite 200, Bellingham
- Department of Ecology, Northwest Regional Office, 3190 160th Ave. SE, Bellevue

For more information or to submit written comments, please contact Mary O’Herron, Site Manager, at Ecology’s Bellingham address listed above or at (360) 738-6246 or e-mail mohe461@ecy.wa.gov.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: 6/10/03 – 7/9/03

Consent Decree to Resolve Liability Available for Public Review & Comment – Banks Property (aka J.C. Penney Company), Facility Site ID No. 538, 102 N. Naches Ave., Yakima, 98901, Yakima County

Ecology and the J.C. Penney Company are *proposing a Consent Decree* to settle J.C. Penney’s liability related to contamination and cleanup costs at the Banks Property site. The Banks Property site is one of 13 sites that make up the Yakima Railroad Area site. Banks Property is ranked “3” on the Hazardous Sites List.

In 1999, Ecology and J.C. Penney entered into an Agreed Order to conduct a Remedial Investigation and Interim Action at the site. The results of the investigation confirmed the contamination is not at levels that are a threat to human health and the environment; however, the ground water will continue to be monitored. Since J.C. Penney has met its obligations for cleanup as stated in the 1999 Agreed Order, the two parties are proposing the Consent Decree. Other potentially liable persons (PLPs) are still liable at the site.

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

- Yakima Valley Regional Library, 102 N. 3rd St., Yakima
- Department of Ecology, 15 W. Yakima Ave., Suite 200, Yakima WA 98902

For more information or to submit written comments, please contact Rick Roeder, Site Manager, at the Ecology address listed above or at (509) 454-7837, e-mail rroe461@ecy.wa.gov.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: 6/8/03 – 7/8/03

Proposed Delisting from Hazardous Sites List Available for Public Review & Comment - Carburetor Ignition (formerly A-1 Auto Wrecking), Facility Site ID No. 732, 433 East Sprague Avenue, Spokane, 99202, Spokane County

Ecology is *proposing to remove the Carburetor Ignition* site from its Hazardous Sites List. The site is currently ranked “3” 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.

During the A-1 Auto Wrecking time of operation, wrecked automobiles were stored on the north side of the site in an unpaved yard. Auto salvage activities resulted in the releases of waste oil, metals, methyl tertiary butyl ether (MTBE), and polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) to the soil.

In 1994, Ecology conducted a site hazard assessment of the property, and ranked the site “3.” Between 1994 and 2003, contaminated soil was removed from the site. Sampling conducted after the removal confirmed that contamination was no longer at the site. The property is currently used for rebuilding vehicle carburetors.

Documents may be reviewed at Ecology’s Eastern Regional Office, 4601 North Monroe, Spokane, WA 99205.

For more information or to submit written comments, please contact Patti Carter, Site Manager, at the Ecology address listed above or at (509) 329-3522 or e-mail paca461@ecy.wa.gov.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: 6/9/03 - 7/9/03

Agreed Order to Conduct Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study, Interim Action, and Cleanup Action Plan Available for Public Review & Comment – Pacific Wholesale, Facility Site ID No. 1199, S. Terminus 3rd St., Raymond, 98577, Grays Harbor County

Ecology and the City of Raymond are *proposing an Agreed Order to conduct a Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study, Interim Action*, and prepare a *Cleanup Action Plan* at the Pacific Wholesale site. The Agreed Order is available for public review and comment through June 30, 2003.

The +3-acre site was formerly used to warehouse/wholesale industrial and building supplies. Other uses of the property include a lumber company, car dealership, car repair shop, and power saw repair/retail shop. During a 1992 environmental audit, numerous 50-gallon barrels of solvents were discovered, along with waste oil. Further sampling confirmed elevated levels of petroleum hydrocarbons in soil. Last March, an arson fire destroyed most of the on-site buildings, leaving behind partially-burned wood, metal, pilings, and other debris.

The Agreed Order is available for review at the following locations:

- Raymond Timberland Library, 507 Duryea St., Raymond, (360) 942-2408
- Department of Ecology, Southwest Regional Office, 300 Desmond Drive, Lacey

For more information or to submit written comments, please contact Guy Barrett, Site Manager, at the Department of Ecology, Southwest Regional Office, Toxics Cleanup Program, PO Box 47775, Olympia WA 98504-7775 or (360) 407-7115 or gbar461@ecy.wa.gov.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: 5/30/03 – 6/30/03

Brownfields 2003 National Conference: Register or Submit Your Ideas On-line Today

If you are interested in learning or sharing information about Brownfields, you won't want to miss this FREE national conference co-sponsored by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the International City/County Management Association.

Nearly \$130 million in grant money will be available this year from EPA to states, tribes, and communities to assess, clean-up, and redevelop Brownfield sites.

Registration: Register today at www.brownfields2003.org to attend the October 27-29 conference in Portland Oregon. Once you register, you will receive periodic updates and newsletters about the conference.

Travel scholarships: Full or partial travel scholarships are available for individuals who can't attend without financial assistance for travel. To be eligible, the applicant must be affiliated with or a representative of a local government, state or tribal government, community organization, environmental justice organization, or not-for-profit entity. Because funding is limited, only one scholarship per organization or government office will be considered. For more information, go to <http://www.brownfields2003.org/scholarships.aspx>.

Phoenix Awards: The *2003 Phoenix Awards* will be presented at the conference. A highlight of the convention, these prestigious awards are given based on the magnitude of problems and the project, use of innovative techniques, cooperative efforts of multiple parties, positive impact on the environment, and the project's general and long-term impacts on the community. If you want to nominate a project or learn more about the awards, please go to www.dep.state.pa.us/hosting/phoenixawards/Application/intro.htm.

For more information about the conference, please contact Marianne Deppman, Brownfields 2003 Coordinator, at (206) 553-1237 or e-mail deppman.marianne@epa.gov.

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.

Chelan County - Jackpot 091, Facility Site ID No. 54468483, 1754 N. Wenatchee Ave., Wenatchee, 98801

Ecology's Voluntary Cleanup Program has reviewed an independent cleanup report relating to this site. Based on this information, Ecology has concluded **Further Action** is required. For more information, please contact Frosti Smith at (509) 454-7841 or e-mail fsmi461@ecy.wa.gov.

Franklin County - Chevron 91106, Facility Site ID No. 29113949, 2008 W. Court St., Pasco, 99301

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.

VOLUNTARY CLEANUP PROGRAM (Cont.)

King County - Alaska Street Property, Facility Site ID No. 8112883, 615 S. Alaska St., Seattle, 98108

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

King County - Cedar Court, Facility Site ID No. 28924721, 148th Ave. NE & NE 32nd St., Redmond, 98052

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@ecv.wa.gov.

Pierce County - Pace Industries Puget Division, Facility Site ID No. 19552145, 2011 Mildred St. W. & 2101 Mildred St. W., Tacoma, 98466

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 with a **Restrictive Covenant**. For more information, please contact Lisa Pearson at (360) 407-6261 or e-mail spea461@ecv.wa.gov.

Snohomish County - Sparkys Towing & Auto Recycling, Facility Site ID No. 16514824, 16101 Hwy 99, 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@ecv.wa.gov.

Thurston County - Texaco 121454, Facility Site ID No. 25595196, 529 Sleater Kinney Road, Lacey, 98503

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 Chuck Cline at (360) 407-6267 or e-mail chcl461@ecv.wa.gov.

Thurston County - Unocal SS 5993, Facility Site ID No. 95638977, 4102 Martin Way E., Olympia, 98506

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 Marcel Szyszkowski at (360) 407-6363 or e-mail mszy461@ecv.wa.gov.

Whatcom County - Grenier Oil Co, Facility Site ID No. 2904, 1100 E. Sunset Dr., Bellingham, 98226

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 the **area where two residential heating tanks were removed**. For more information, please contact Teri Fisher at (425) 649-4446 or e-mail tfis461@ecv.wa.gov.