

Former Able Pest Control (aka 62nd Avenue Property), Kenmore



Proposal to Remove Site from Ecology's Hazardous Sites List

The Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) has prepared this fact sheet to provide you with information about the proposed delisting of the former Able Pest Control site, also referred to as the 62nd Avenue Property, from the state's Hazardous Sites List. The site is currently ranked "2" on the list (a rank of "1" represents the highest level of risk compared to other sites, and a rank of "5" represents the lowest).

While cleanup at the site already has occurred, changes to the existing Cleanup Action Plan also are proposed, including:

- Revising specific sections of the document that relate to earlier assumptions about a shallow groundwater pocket at the site,
- Requiring additional soil sampling on the adjacent preschool property to confirm that the cleanup worked, and
- Decommissioning of some shallow monitoring wells.

Please note that the delisting is not contingent on the additional monitoring at the preschool.

You are welcome and encouraged to comment on the proposed delisting and amendment to the Cleanup Action Plan through June 3, 2004.

Site background

The site, a residential property, is located at 18115 62nd Avenue NE, in Kenmore, King County, Washington. The site is the location of the former Able Pest Control. The site also includes a portion of the adjacent Lake

Forest Park Preschool, located at 6124 NE 181st Street, because a portion of that property was affected by contamination from Able Pest Control.

Able Pest Control operated a pest extermination business at the site from 1969 until 1986. The contamination is most likely a result of the previous owner's handling of pesticides during that time. In 1986, the property was sold to the current owner.

Site investigations found concentrations of the pesticides chlordane and dieldrin in soil at levels above state residential soil cleanup standards.

Ecology and Public Health—Seattle King County conducted additional sampling along the property line and in the preschool playground. Results of this sampling showed elevated levels of pesticides along the property line and lower levels in the playground. Due to the potential for children at the preschool to be exposed to pesticides, Ecology determined that immediate remedial action was necessary and issued an Emergency Agreed Order.

Under the agreed order, 10 cubic yards of soil were excavated from the preschool and 20 cubic yards of soil were excavated from the 62nd Avenue property. These actions were conducted in May and June 1998.

In May 1999, a trench was installed in the area along the boundary between the 62nd Avenue Property and the Preschool Property (the "buffer zone")

April 2004

**Public Comment Period:
May 5 – June 3, 2004**

Technical Questions and Written Comments:

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Documents can be reviewed at the following locations:

Kenmore Library
18138 73rd NE, Kenmore
(425) 486-8747

WA Department of Ecology
Northwest Regional Office
3190 160th Avenue SE
Bellevue, WA 98008
(425) 649-7190
(Call for an appointment)

Ecology's web page:
http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/tcp/sites/able/able_hp.htm

to capture pesticides potentially moving from contaminated areas of the 62nd Avenue property into the buffer zone and, consequently, onto the preschool property. Subsequent monitoring showed the pesticide contamination was moving onto the preschool property. In December 1999, pesticide-contaminated soil was again removed from the preschool property.

Also in December 1999, a Remedial Investigation/ Feasibility Study was completed and a report submitted to Ecology under its Voluntary Cleanup Program. This report described the extent of contamination and evaluated the feasibility of various soil cleanup alternatives.

A Cleanup Action Plan was then developed and approved under an Agreed Order with Ecology, and the final cleanup began in July 2000. One thousand forty (1,040) tons of contaminated soil were excavated and sent to permitted solid waste facilities. Some of this soil was treated before disposal.

After cleanup took place, soil at the site--including the preschool--was re-sampled and tested for chlordane and dieldrin and was found to meet state residential cleanup standards.

Why delist the site?

Ecology has determined that this site does not pose a threat to human health or the environment and proposes removing the site from the Hazardous Sites List.

Ecology would like your input!

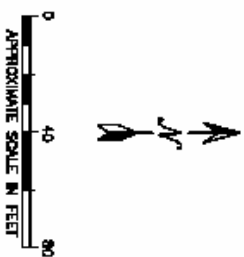
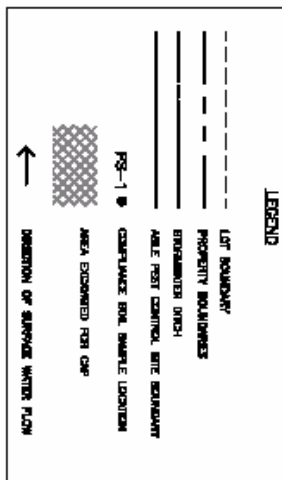
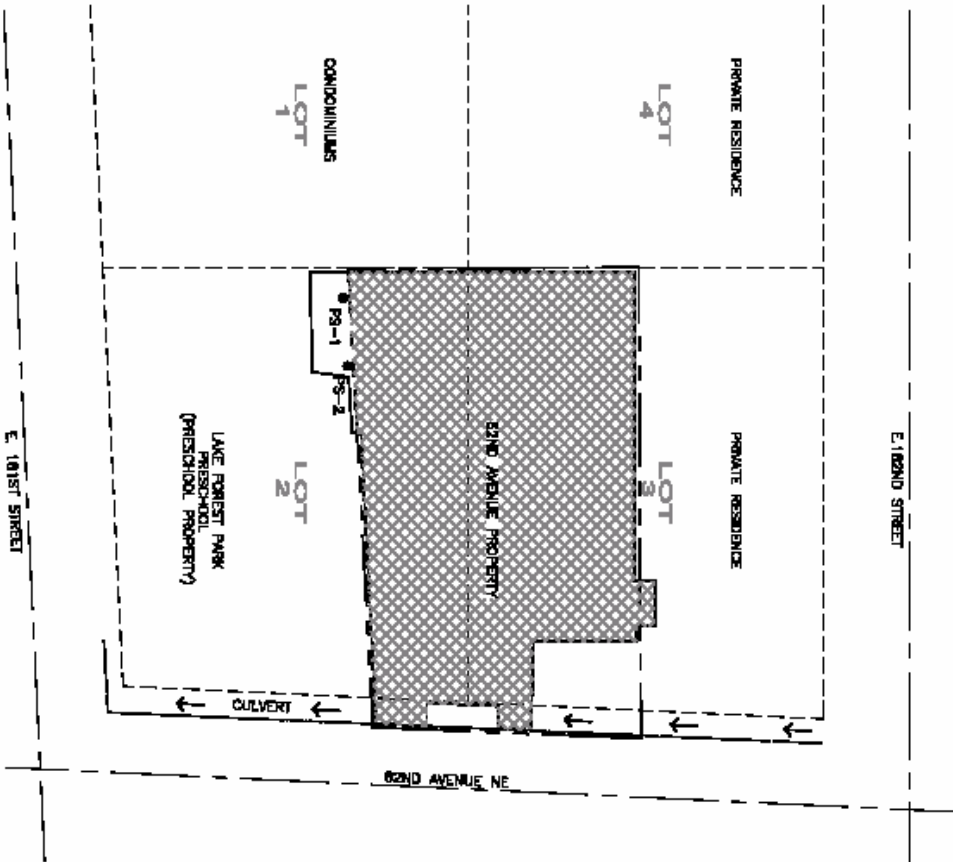
Ecology's proposal to delist the former Able Pest Control site from the Hazardous Sites List and the proposed Cleanup Action Plan amendment are open for public comment through June 3, 2004. Documents pertaining to the delisting and the draft Amended Cleanup Action Plan (changes are underlined for ease of review) are available at the locations listed in the box on page one of this fact sheet. Please send your written comments before June 3, 2004, to Louise Bardy, Site Manager, at the address listed on page one.

If substantive comments are received, further site evaluation may be required before the site is delisted.

A public meeting is not planned for this comment period. However, one will be held if 10 or more people so request.

For information about other Ecology public comment periods, meetings, hearings, workshops, and open houses, please visit Ecology's public events calendar at: <http://apps.ecy.wa.gov/pubcalendar/calendar.asp>. Read *Frequently Asked Questions about Effective Public Commenting* at this link to learn more about the public comment process.

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ABLE PEST CONTROL SITE
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KENMORE, WASHINGTON

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**Former Able Pest
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Ecology Seeks Public Comment
on Proposed Delisting

Public Comment Period
5/5/04 – 6/3/04