

What is Happening at the City Parcel Site?

(formerly Spokane Transformer, Inc.)



PCB Cleanup

The Washington State Department of Ecology plans to clean up chemicals called polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) found in soil at City Parcel, 708 N. Cook Street in Spokane, Washington.

The site was previously used as a transformer repair and recycling operation. In 1980 it became a parcel delivery service. Now, most business activities have moved to a location on Trent Avenue.



708 N. Cook Street

Documents for Review

You are invited to review and comment on the following documents July 21 through August 19, 2004.

- Draft Cleanup Action Plan
- State Environmental Policy Act Determination of Non-Significance

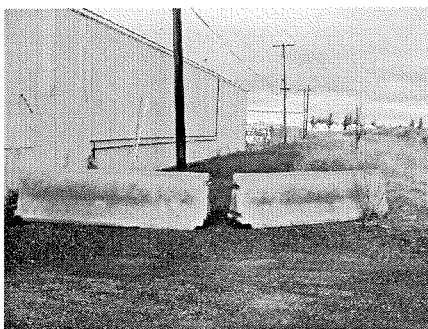
See the box at the right for locations to review documents and send comments.

Site Background

Results of investigations at the site show extensive PCB contamination in soils from 0 to 12 inches below the ground surface. These soils are found in the gravel parking area on the north side of the building and in the alleyway east of the property. PCB contamination is also found inside the building in dry wells, an underground storage tank and drain lines. Studies show PCBs are not of concern in the ground water.



Parking area



Alleyway

Draft Cleanup Action Plan

The purpose of this Draft Cleanup Action Plan is to select cleanup actions that will do the following:

July 2004

Public Comment Period

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Document Review Locations

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Ecology's Toxics Cleanup Website:

[www.ecy.wa.gov/
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city_parcel_hp.html](http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/tcp/sites/city_parcel/city_parcel_hp.html)

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- Protect human health and the environment
- Prevent PCB-contaminated soils from coming into contact with skin or being eaten through contact with dirt
- Reduce any potential movement of PCBs from soil to ground water in the future
- Comply with cleanup standards and applicable state and federal laws
- Provide compliance monitoring
- Use cleanup solutions that will be as permanent as possible
- Provide a time frame for restoration that is reasonable
- Consider public concerns

Selected Cleanup Actions

Ecology has selected the following actions to accomplish the goals of the Plan:

- Tear down the City Parcel building
- Remove the underground storage tank, dry wells, and drain lines
- Remove shallow soils that have contamination above 10 mg/kg* of PCBs
- Remove soils during the removal of the underground storage tank and dry wells if PCBs are greater than 10 mg/kg *
- Dispose of PCB-contaminated soil in a landfill that meets federal requirements for acceptance of PCB contamination
- Incinerate any liquid PCBs found in the tank and sediments in the drain lines (incineration will take place off-site in an approved facility)
- Apply deed restrictions to the property

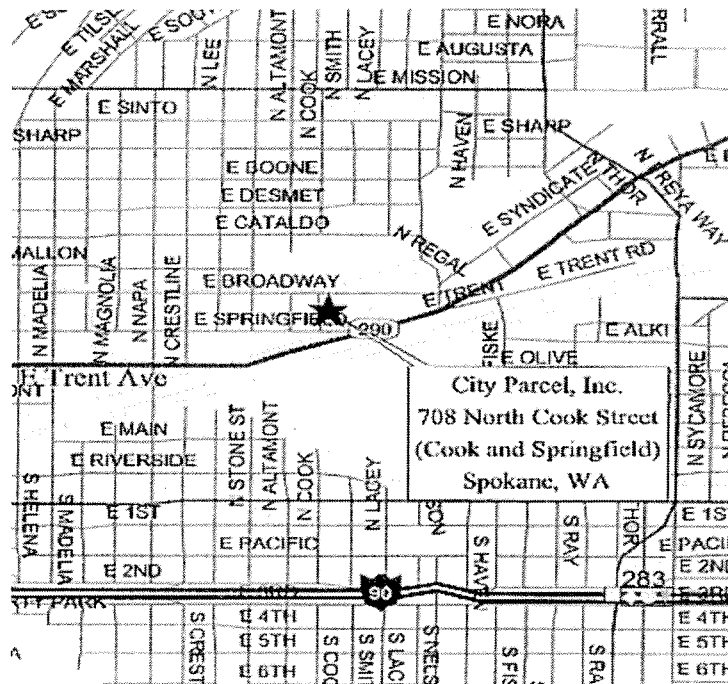
*Technical Note

The main portion of the site meets the regulatory definition of an industrial property where the proposed cleanup level for PCBs in soil is 10 mg/kg. The alleyway can not be considered an industrial property because the public has unlimited access to this area. The cleanup level for PCBs in areas where there is unrestricted land use is 1 mg/kg.

State Environmental Policy Act and Determination of Non-Significance

The State Environmental Policy Act, known as SEPA, requires government agencies to consider potential environmental impacts of a project before beginning the cleanup.

- After review of a completed environmental checklist and other site specific information, Ecology has determined the cleanup of PCBs will not have a probable adverse impact on the environment.
- This action will benefit the environment by reducing the release of toxic chemicals from the site.
- Therefore, Ecology has issued a Determination of Non-Significance.



City Parcel Site Map