

Gebbers Farms Okanogan County



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

The Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) has prepared this fact sheet pursuant to the Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA) Chapter 70.105D to inform you that Ecology is proposing to remove the Gebbers Farms Site (site), Facility/Site ID No. 424, from its Hazardous Sites List. The site is located on P&G Road approximately 1.5 miles northeast of Anderson Field near Brewster, Washington. The site is currently ranked a "1" 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

On October 13, 1989, Skagit County Department of Emergency Management informed Ecology of a complaint concerning dumping, burning, and burying of unlined pesticide containers at the site. On July 31, 1990, Ecology staff visited the site and confirmed that burning and dumping near the labor camp had occurred.

A report from the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry stated that the pesticide soil contamination at the dump site did not pose a threat to human health or the environment.

Three groundwater monitoring wells were installed in June 2002. Groundwater monitoring showed that contamination at the site did not pose a threat to human health or the environment.

Why De-list the Site?

As a result of the soil and groundwater sampling that has taken place at this site Ecology has determined that the site does not pose a threat to human health or the environment and is no longer required to be listed on the State Hazardous Sites List.

Ecology Wants Your Comments!

Ecology's proposal to de-list the Gebbers Farms site from the State Hazardous Sites List is now open for a 30-day public comment period, between **October 6, 2005 and November 5, 2005**. The public comment period presents an opportunity to have your ideas and comments heard by Ecology. Documents pertinent to the notice of satisfaction are located in repositories listed in the box to the right. To review more detailed site documents, contact Ecology's Central Regional Office records center at (509) 454-7658 to schedule an appointment.

You may also submit your written comments to Valerie Drew, Site Manager, at the Ecology address listed in the box to the right. Ecology will review and respond to all comments received.

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**Documents are available for
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Ecology Central Regional Office
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Brewster Public Library
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**Para asistencia bilingüe, favor
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Gebbers Farms, Inc. Site Location Map

