

Site Register

WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY TOXICS CLEANUP PROGRAM



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The Site Register is published every two weeks to inform you about public comment periods, public meetings, hearings, and other information related to the study and cleanup of hazardous waste sites under the Model Toxics Control Act, Chapter 70.105D RCW.

You may also find information about public hearings, meetings, workshops, and open public comment periods on Ecology's web page. Go to www.ecy.wa.gov and click on the Public Involvement Calendar.

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FORMAL CLEANUPS

Ecology oversees complex cleanup sites to ensure that your health and that of the environment are protected.

CHELAN COUNTY

Lewis and Clark Elementary, 1130 Princeton Avenue, Wenatchee
Facility Site ID# 5045747;

Lincoln Elementary, 1224 Methow Street, Wenatchee
Facility Site ID# 8905363;

Washington Elementary, 1404 Washington Street, Wenatchee
Facility Site ID# 1104071;

West Side High School, 1521 9th Street, Wenatchee
Facility Site ID# 4267507

Public comment periods:
11/14/07 – 12/14/07

Delisting from Hazardous Sites List

Ecology is proposing to remove four schools in the city of Wenatchee: Lewis and Clark Elementary, ranked a 3, Lincoln Elementary, ranked a 3, Washington Elementary, ranked a 3; and West Side High School, ranked a 4, from the Hazardous Sites List. Sites can be ranked from "1" to "5". A rank of "1" is the highest level of environmental concern compared to other sites on the list, and a rank of "5" is the lowest.

All four sites were former orchards and subjected to historical pesticide applications. Lead arsenate was widely used to control the codling moth prior to 1950. As a result, lead arsenate has contaminated many former orchards throughout central Washington. In 2002, Ecology tested the soil and found lead

and arsenic contamination exceeding state cleanup levels.

During the summer of 2006, Ecology staff managed cleanups at all four sites. These cleanups used excavation, deep mixing, or a combination of the two, to reduce or eliminate the lead and arsenic contamination.

Generally, soil with arsenic levels above 100 parts per million (ppm) was excavated prior to deep mixing. Then the contaminated soil was disposed of at the Greater Wenatchee Landfill. Once excavation was complete, deep mixing could take place. This involves mixing the contaminated soil with clean soil from beneath the contamination. This is very effective in reducing lead and arsenic concentrations throughout the soil profile.

Once the deep mixing was complete, clean topsoil was imported and new seed or sod was placed down to establish grass. All sites were restored to their original condition.

Ecology staff verified through confirmational sampling that the contamination had been either removed or reduced to below state cleanup levels. Therefore, Ecology proposes removing the four sites from the Hazardous Sites list. They no longer pose a threat to human health and the environment.

Supporting documents are available for review at the following locations:

- Wenatchee School District Administration Building, 235 Sunset Avenue, Wenatchee
- Ecology Central Regional Office, 15 West Yakima Ave, Suite 200, Yakima, WA 98902-3452. (Please call 509/454-7658 for an appointment.)
- Ecology's website at http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/tcp/sites/4_

[wenatchee_schools/4_wen_schls_hp.htm](#)

• Ecology's Public Involvement Calendar: <http://apps.ecy.wa.gov/pubcalendar/calendar.asp>

For more information or to submit written comments, please contact **Jeff Newschwander**, Site Manager, at the Ecology address listed above or at **509/454-7842** or e-mail Jene461@ecy.wa.gov.

CLARK COUNTY

Cadet Manufacturing and Port of Vancouver Building 2220 (former Swan Manufacturing), 2500 and 2220 W. Fourth Plain, Vancouver Facility Site ID# 85381664

Negotiations for an Agreed Order

Ecology and the Port of Vancouver have begun negotiations for an agreed order to complete interim actions at the Swan and Cadet Manufacturing site in Vancouver. Trichloroethylene (TCE) was used during the production of electric heaters at this site (Cadet is still operating) and was released to the environment. Contamination to soil and groundwater occurred.

The Port of Vancouver entered into two separate Agreed Orders to begin cleanup of the former Swan Manufacturing site (2220 W. Fourth Plain) and the Cadet Manufacturing site (2500 W. Fourth Plain) in 1998 and 2000 respectively. The proposed Agreed Order will merge the two sites and proposes a new Interim Action to accelerate cleanup of contaminated groundwater.

For more information about this site and to submit comments, please contact **Craig Rankine**, site manager, at **360/690-4795** or cran461@ecy.wa.gov. For more information about public involvement, contact **Meg Bommarito** at **360/407-6255**.

KING COUNTY

Wesmar Company, Inc., 1401/1451 Northwest 46th Street, Seattle Facility Site ID# 2194

**Public comment period:
12/14/07 – 01/14/08**

Agreed Order and Public Participation Plan Available for Public Review and Comment

The Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) invites comments on an Agreed Order with Bridge Group II, LLC.

Bridge Group II, LLC currently owns the property that was formerly known to be operated by Wesmar Company, Inc., a chemical product manufacturer and distributor, and Color Tech, Inc. (aka, Color-Tech, Inc; Colortech, Inc.) a metal coating service. This property is located at 1401/1451 Northwest 46th Street, Seattle, Washington. Portions of the property are within 200 feet of the shoreline for Lake Washington Ship Canal, a freshwater surface body. The property has had a variety of past industrial operations and uses. From 1905 to 1917, Pacific Coast Pipe Company used and stored the wood preservative creosote there. In 1991, two underground fuel storage tanks were decommissioned and removed.

Bridge Group II, LLC plans to redevelop the property to a multi-story mixed-use office/retail complex with an underground parking facility. Improvements to the property will also include new sidewalks, trees, and lighting.

On December 12, 2007, Ecology and Bridge Group II, LLC, entered a legal agreement called an Agreed Order to conduct a remedial investigation/feasibility study (RI/FS) and submit a draft cleanup action plan (dCAP). The purpose of the remedial investigation is to determine the extent of hazardous substances in groundwater and soil at the site. Information and data obtained

during the RI phase of this study will be used to support the evaluation and selection of cleanup solutions for this site.

The public participation plan is also available for public review. The public participation plan explains how Ecology will keep the community involved during the cleanup process. The plan outlines and describes the tools and approaches that Ecology will use and provides information for the community.

The Department of Ecology invites you to review and comment on the following documents:

- Agreed Order
- Public Participation Plan

These documents can be viewed at the various repository locations. We encourage you to review and comment on this document from December 14, 2007 - January 14, 2008.

Contaminants of Concern

The following chemicals are chemicals of concern (COCs) for subsurface soil and groundwater at the site.

- Heavy metals, including arsenic, lead, barium, and chromium;
- Polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs);
- Gasoline-range petroleum hydrocarbons;
- Diesel-range petroleum hydrocarbons;
- Volatile organic compounds (VOCs)

Repositories locations:

Washington State Department of Ecology
Northwest Regional Office
3190 160th Avenue SE
Bellevue, Washington 98008

Call for an appointment: **Sally Perkins 425/649-7190**, (425) 649-4450 FAX
E-mail: sper461@ecy.wa.gov
Hours: Tuesday – Thursday, 8 AM – 12:00 PM and 1:00-4:30 PM.

Ballard Branch Public Library
5614 22nd Ave. N.W.
Seattle, Washington 98107
(206) 684-4089

Ecology's website:

http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/tcp/sites/wesmar/wesmar_hp.htm

Comments or questions about the site can be sent to: **Ronald Timm**, Site Manager, at the WA State Department of Ecology, 3190 160th Avenue SE, Bellevue, WA 98008, or at **425/649-7185**, email **rtim461@ecy.wa.gov**

**Lower Duwamish Waterway, Seattle
Facility Site ID# 42927743**

*Publication of the DRAFT Remedial
Investigation Report*

Located in a 5.5-mile reach of the Lower Duwamish Waterway (LDW), a wide range of contaminants are present, including polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs), and metals. Ecology is leading source control efforts in coordination with local government and supporting the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) efforts on the Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (RI/FS) and early actions. Ecology and EPA are implementing a two-phase RI/FS with the Lower Duwamish Waterway Group (LDWG: the city of Seattle, the Boeing Company, the Port of Seattle, and King County).

Documents will be available for public review at:

- Ecology Northwest Regional Office, 3190 160th Ave. SE, Bellevue, WA 98008-5482. (Please call **425/649-7190** for an appointment.)
- Ecology's website at http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/tcp/sites/lower_duwamish/lower_duwamish_hp.html

For more information, please contact **Brad Helland**, P. E., at **425/649-7138** or e-mail **bhel461@ecy.wa.gov**.

PIERCE COUNTY

**1147 Dock Street Site, 1147 Dock
Street, Tacoma
Facility Site ID# 1263**

**Public comment period:
12/13/07 – 01/16/08**

*Proposed Removal from the Hazardous
Sites List*

The Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) proposes to remove the 1147 Dock Street site from the state's Hazardous Sites List. The 0.7 acre site is located along the shore of the Thea Foss Waterway. It was occupied by a steam heat plant until 1980 and has been vacant since then.

Cleanup

Mercury-contaminated fill was found in 1993, and removed by Ecology in 1997. In 2005, the shoreline along the entire site was capped as part of the Superfund cleanup in the Thea Foss Waterway. In 2006, the current owner (Federal Asset Recovery, Inc.) agreed to complete an investigation of the site. Soil was removed around a small area of additional mercury contamination found during this investigation.

Ecology has determined that soils and groundwater at the site now meet state standards under the Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA), Chapter 70.105D. The final cleanup report describes the contamination and cleanup actions in more detail.

Submit Your Comments

The final cleanup report is available to view and comment on. The report can be found at: Tacoma Public Library, 1102 Tacoma Avenue, Tacoma, WA 98402, 253/591-5666; Citizens for a Healthy Bay, 917 Pacific Avenue, Suite 100, Tacoma, WA 98402, 253/383-2429; and WA Department of Ecology, SWRO Toxics Cleanup Program, 300 Desmond Drive, Lacey, WA 98504-7106, **360/407-6365** (**dene461@ecy.wa.gov**).

Documents are also available at Ecology's Web site: http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/tcp/sites/dock_st/dock_st_hp.htm.

Please submit your comments December 13, 2007 to January 16, 2008. For more information or to submit written comments, please contact **Joyce Mercuri** at **360/407-6260** or email at **jmer461@ecy.wa.gov**. For public involvement information, please contact **Hannah Aoyagi** at **360/407-6790** or e-mail at **haoy461@ecy.wa.gov**.

SKAGIT COUNTY

**Custom Plywood Mill Site, 35th and V
Avenue, Anacortes
Facility Site ID# 2685**

**Public comment period:
11/28/07 – 01/02/08**

Agreed Order

An Agreed Order and associated Public Participation Plan for the Custom Plywood Mill site in Anacortes, WA are available for public comment. The Agreed Order requires the Concorde Inc. to conduct a Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study (RI/FS) and to develop a Cleanup Action Plan and Public Participation Plan for the site. Petroleum hydrocarbons in the gasoline and heavy oil ranges, arsenic, cadmium, chromium, lead, and polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) have exceeded Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA) soil cleanup levels at the site. Contamination of groundwater and sediment is also possible. The site was used to operate a sawmill (including a box factory and planning mill), and later a plywood mill, under various owners from the early 1900s until 1992.

The Agreed Order and associated draft Public Participation Plan are available for review and comment at the following locations:

- Anacortes Public Library
1200 10th Street
Anacortes, WA 98221

Hours: Mon-Thurs 11am-8pm, Fri 11am-5pm, Sat-Sun noon-5pm

- WA Department of Ecology
Headquarters, 300 Desmond Drive,
Lacey, WA 98504-7600.
By appointment, please contact **Carol Dorn** at **360/407-7224** or e-mail **Cesg461@ecy.wa.gov**.
- Ecology's website at **http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/tcp/sites/custom_ply/custom_ply_hp.htm**
- Ecology's Public Events Calendar:
www.ecy.wa.gov

For more information, please contact **Sandra Caldwell** at **360/407-7205** or **Saca461@ecy.wa.gov**.

SNOHOMISH COUNTY

**JELD-WEN, Inc., 300 West Marine View Drive, Everett
Facility Site ID# 2757**

**Public comment period:
extended to 12/30/07**

Agreed Order

An Agreed Order and associated Public Participation Plan for the JELD WEN, Inc. site in Everett, WA are available for public comment. The Agreed Order requires JELD WEN, Inc. to conduct a Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study (RI/FS) and develop a Cleanup Action Plan for the site. A Public Participation Plan is also required for the site.

Concentrations of total petroleum hydrocarbons (TPH), polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs), and toluene exceed Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA) cleanup levels in soil and

groundwater, and benzene concentrations exceed MTCA cleanup levels in groundwater. Pentachlorophenol (PCP) and polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) have also been used on the site.

A wooden door plant with a machine shop that manufactured parts, and a pole treating yard, formerly occupied the site.

The Agreed Order and associated draft Public Participation Plan are available for review and comment at the following locations:

- Everett Public Library, 2702 Hoyt Ave., Everett Hours: Mon.-Wed. 10am-9pm, Thurs.-Sat. 10am-6pm, Sun. 1-5pm
- Ecology Headquarters Office, 300 Desmond Drive, Lacey, WA 98503. (Please call **Carol Dorn** at **360/407-7224** or **Cesg461@ecy.wa.gov** for an appointment.)
- Ecology's website at **http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/tcp/sites/jeld_wen_everett/jeld_everett_hp.htm**
- Ecology's Public Involvement Calendar: **www.ecy.wa.gov**

For more information or to submit written comments, please contact **Isaac Standen**, Site Manager, at the Ecology address listed above or at **360/407-6776** or e-mail **Ista461@ecy.wa.gov**.

For public involvement information, please contact **Sandra Caldwell**, Public Involvement Coordinator at **360/407-7205** or e-mail **Saca461@ecy.wa.gov**.

SPOKANE COUNTY

**SemMaterials Site (Koch Materials Company), 4327 North Thor Street, Spokane
Facility Site ID# 16655424**

Negotiations for an Agreed Order

Ecology began negotiations for an Agreed Order on October 31, 2007 with the potentially liable persons (PLPs) for the SemMaterials site. The PLPs are Burlington Northern Santa Fe Company, Koch Materials Company, and Marathon Oil Company. The Order requires the PLPs to conduct a Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study at the SemMaterials site. This site is located

at 4327 North Thor Street in the City of Spokane, Spokane County, Washington. Negotiations are scheduled to end December 31, 2007.

An Agreed Order is a legal document issued by Ecology. It formalizes the agreement between Ecology and the PLPs for the cleanup actions needed at the site. The purpose of the Remedial Investigation is to gather information to determine where and how much petroleum contamination may be in soil and groundwater at the SemMaterials site. The purpose of the Feasibility Study is to evaluate cleanup alternatives and propose a cleanup action.

SemMaterials is the current operator of the leased facility formerly known as Koch Materials. Burlington Northern Santa Fe Company owns the property. The facility operates as a receiving and supply depot for petroleum products used in the manufacture of asphalt and sealants. Koch Materials operated the facility from 1985 to 2005. Prior to Koch Materials operation, Husky Oil of Delaware operated the facility until 1984, when it merged with Marathon Oil Company. The site has reportedly been used for petroleum-related operations since 1910.

In December 1992 three petroleum storage tanks were removed from the northeast corner of the site. During the tank removal, petroleum-contaminated soil was found. Soil borings were drilled to determine the depth of contamination. Contamination was discovered to a depth of 125 feet. Because the site is over the SpokaneValley-Rathdrum Prairie Aquifer, precautions were taken as soil evaluations continued. Concerns were raised that contamination may have moved into the aquifer.

Ecology became involved at the site in 1993 and ranked the site a three on the Hazardous Sites List. The Hazardous Sites List is a record of contaminated sites throughout the state that are ranked on a scale of one to five. One represents the greatest potential threat

to human health and the environment; five represents the least potential threat. The site ranked a three because of the level of contamination in soil and the potential for groundwater and aquifer contamination.

For more information, please contact the Site Manager: **William J. Fees**, P.E., Department of Ecology, 4601 North Monroe, Spokane, WA 99205-1295,

509/329-3589, e-mail wfee461@ecy.wa.gov.

THURSTON COUNTY

Reliable Steel Fabricators, 1218 West Bay Drive, Olympia
Facility Site ID# 69923242

Public comment period:
12/03/07 – 1/04/08

Agreed Order for a Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study

Ecology proposes to enter into an Agreed Order with Bojo Investments, LLC (Bojo Investments), one of the potentially liable parties, to complete a Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study at the Reliable Steel Fabricators site in Olympia. Contamination resulted from steel tank, vessel and beam manufacturing activities from 1941 until present. Investigations discovered heavy metals and solvents at the site at levels above Model Toxics Cleanup Act cleanup standards.

In addition, underground storage tanks on site may also have resulted in the release of petroleum hydrocarbons to the site.

The Agreed Order would require Bojo Investments to:

- Conduct a Remedial investigation (RI) to determine the nature and extent of contamination on site.
- Complete a Feasibility study (FS) to develop and evaluate cleanup alternatives.

The Agreed Order and the Public Participation Plan will be available at the following locations:

- Olympia Timberland Library, 313 8th Avenue SE, Olympia, WA, 98501-9300
- Southwest Regional Office, Toxics Cleanup Program, 300 Desmond Drive, Lacey, WA 98503. (Please call 360/407-6365 for an appointment.)
- Ecology's website at http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/tcp/sites/reliable_stlrs_hp.htm

For more information or to submit written comments, please contact **Steve Teel**, Site Manager, at the Ecology address listed above or at 360/407-6247 or e-mail Stee461@ecy.wa.gov. For more information about public involvement, please contact **Meg Bommarito**, Public Involvement Coordinator, at 360/407-6255 or e-mail Mbom461@ecy.wa.gov.

WALLA WALLA COUNTY

Walla Walla Farmers Co-op, 111 Ninth Avenue, Walla Walla
Facility Site ID# 89641838

Public comment period:
11/27/07 – 12/27/08

Periodic Review Available to the Public

Ecology invites the public to review and comment on a periodic review for the Walla Walla Farmers Co-op site. The site is located near the intersection of North Eighth Avenue and West Rose Street in the city of Walla Walla. A periodic review is conducted at least every five years after the initiation of a cleanup action, as required by the Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA). However, because this cleanup action took place prior to full implementation of MTCA, this is the first periodic review for the site. The purpose of the review is to evaluate site conditions and monitoring data, after cleanup is considered complete, and to ensure human health

and the environment is protected.

The site is owned by the Walla Walla Farmers Cooperative, an association operating on a non-profit cooperative basis as an agent for its members. Past and present operations include storing, mixing and handling farm chemicals. The chemicals are in solid or liquid form and are put into containers that are transported to clients. These pesticide and herbicide containers and fertilizer sprayers were rinsed out at the facility directly onto the ground. As a result of these past business operations, soil and groundwater at the site became contaminated. A gas station is also located at the site, but has not contributed to contamination at this time.

A series of investigations and cleanup actions were implemented at the site to remove contaminated soil, improve groundwater and create more environmentally protective business practices. Originally, groundwater was analyzed for 12 chemicals.

Concentrations of most of these contaminants have decreased significantly over time and now most of them are no longer detected or are below required cleanup levels in groundwater. Groundwater continues to be analyzed for chlordane and nitrate.

Ecology evaluated cleanup alternatives at the site and determined the following cleanup actions at the site are protective of human health and the environment.

- A concrete cap was placed over the wash pad area where containers were rinsed. An asphalt cap was placed over a former drainfield used to manage rinse water. These caps provide protection from direct contact with any contaminated soils. The caps also prevent infiltration of surface water through contaminated soils.
- Long-term groundwater monitoring continues through implementation of a Compliance Monitoring Plan.
- Institutional controls including a

restrictive covenant were placed on the property. These are measures to limit or prohibit activities at the site that could interfere with maintaining the cleanup once it is completed. The restrictive covenant is a document showing the type and location of contamination. It also limits how the land is used. Limitations include property use for industrial purposes only, no disturbance of the pavement, no removal of soils, and limitations on groundwater withdrawal and use. Also, Ecology must be notified of any property sale.

Documents may be reviewed at the following locations:

- Ecology's Eastern Regional Office, 4601 North Monroe, Spokane, WA 99205
- Ecology's Web site at http://www.ecydev/programs/tcp/sites/WallaWallaFarmCoOp/www_co-op_hp.htm

Para asistencia en Espanol: Sr. Gregory Bohn, 509/454-4174 , e-mail: gboh461@ecy.wa.gov

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** or e-mail satr461@ecy.wa.gov

Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA), Science Advisory Board Meeting

There is a Science Advisory Board meeting scheduled for December 14, 2007 from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. at the University of Washington, Graham Visitor Center, 2300 Arboretum Dr. E, Seattle, WA.

Agenda Items Include:

- Establishing Fish Consumption Rates
- Five-year MTCA Rule Revision

This meeting is open to public attendance. Lunch is provided for SAB members. You may wish to bring a lunch to this meeting. For more information contact **Dawn Hooper** at Dhoo461@ecy.wa.gov or **360/407-7182**, or visit our website at http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/tcp/SAB/SAB_hp.html.

Due to extenuating circumstances, this site register issue is published late, and does not contain Independent Cleanups, Voluntary Cleanup Program, and Site Hazard Assessments information.
