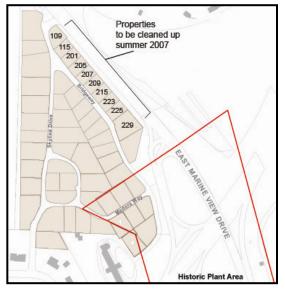


# **Everett Smelter Site –2007 Soil Cleanup BIWEEKLY NEWSLETTER #5**

from Ecology's Program, Toxics Cleanup Program

July 23-August 3, 2007



### What's happening in your neighborhood?

Ecology's contractor, Wyser Construction, Inc. began cleanup work at the 10 homes located on the east side of Bridgeway in Everett, WA on May 21, 2007. The cleanup will remove and dispose of accessible soil contaminated with arsenic and lead. Soil is accessible if it is not under the house, paved driveways and walkways, or patios. All accessible contaminated soil with arsenic levels above 20 mg/Kg that is within one foot of the surface will be removed and replaced with clean topsoil. Below one foot, all accessible contaminated soil that has arsenic above certain specified levels will be removed and replaced with clean backfill (see page 2 for definition) and topsoil. The yard restoration will include sod lawns, landscape plant replacements, building or reconstructing walls, and restoring fences.

### How long will this cleanup last?

This cleanup is expected to last for 3-5 months. The cleanup work will take place during the **daytime from 7:30 a.m.** – **4:30 p.m. on weekdays**.

# Cleanup Activities for July 23 – August 3, 2007



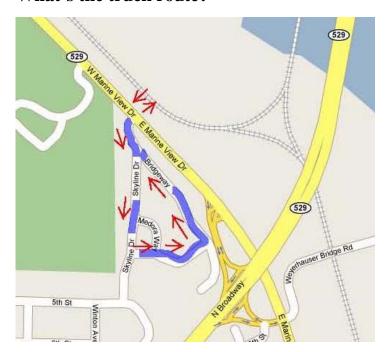
#### Cleanup work for July 23 – August 3, 2007

- Finish restoration work at 223, 225, and 229 Bridgeway. This will include backfilling 223, and top soil and sod placement at 223, 225, and 229 Bridgeway.
- Start backyard excavation work at 207, 209, and 215 Bridgeway. These homes will be cleaned up as a group. The excavation of the front yard of 215 Bridgeway will be completed. Excavated soil from these addresses will be stockpiled in the front yard of 209 Bridgeway for loading and unloading trucks. It will be removed one truck load at a time. The contaminated soil will be hauled off to an approved landfill (see truck route on next page). As final excavation depths are reached, the geofabric (see page 2 for definition) will be placed, and restoration will begin immediately.

### Status Update - Cleanup at 223, 225, and 229 Bridgeway

- Topsoil from the soil supplier was analyzed for contaminants and organic content based on project specification. The topsoil will be used for restoration.
- At 225 Bridgeway, 80% of the restoration of the front yard was completed. The
  steps adjacent to the driveway and a stem wall with French drain have been
  completed in the front yard area. The fence and drainage system along the northern
  property line were also restored. The sidewalk area near the front of the house is
  ready for concrete, and reconstruction of the rockery is nearly complete. In the
  backyard, the last remaining area was excavated and is ready for geofabric and
  backfill.
- In the front yard of 229 Bridgeway, backfill and reshaping of the ground surface is more than 70% complete. In the backyard, 80% of the retaining wall has also been completed. Once topsoil has been delivered, the ramp used to bring the backfill and topsoil into the backyard will be taken out. Following this, final work on the retaining wall will be finished.
- At 223 Bridgeway, the backyard was excavated to the target depth of 36 inches. The front yard and side yards were also excavated accordingly to the target depth. Excavated soil will be stockpiled in the front yard of 209 Bridgeway.

### What's the truck route?



## Will there be someone to answer my immediate concerns?

Yes, Ecology has contracted Glen Vedera with Science Applications International Corporation (SAIC) to be the on-site coordinator. He will manage daily activities. The SAIC on-site coordinator will represent Ecology during field activities. Any immediate concerns may be presented to Glen Vedera, who will communicate them to Jerome Cruz.

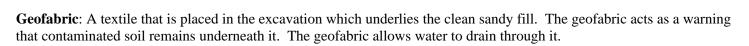
### Contact information for the on-site Field Coordinator

Glen Vedera SAIC Coordinator (206) 271-4691

## Ecology keeping you informed

This is the fifth in a series of newsletters the Washington State Department of Ecology will produce. Ecology will update this newsletter regularly to inform the neighborhood about the current status of the soil cleanup along the east side of Bridgeway in Everett, Washington. Ecology will contact the next set of homeowners before cleanup work begins on their property.

### **Definitions**



**Backfill**: Clean sandy material used to fill in the excavation. For most of these yards, a layer of topsoil is placed above it to allow for the installation of lawns or planting strips.



The truck route for the dump trucks carrying away contaminated soil will be:

- South on Skyline Drive.
- Follow Skyline Drive south.
- Then east to Medora Way.
- Head east to Bridgeway.
- Left onto Bridgeway to 229, the loading site.



#### After the trucks are loaded:

- The trucks will proceed north on Bridgeway.
- Turn right onto Skyline Drive.
- Then turn right onto Marine View Drive.
- \* Trucks carrying clean backfill and topsoil will proceed along the same route, but in the opposite direction.

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