

Cadet and Swan Manufacturing Sites Cleanup Activity Update

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The Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) and the Port of Vancouver (Port) are working together to continue the investigation and clean up of contaminated groundwater in the Fruit Valley Neighborhood (FVN). The Washington State Department of Health (DOH) continues to evaluate the investigation, cleanup plans and findings to address any health issues. This update contains information about:

- Results from the most recent indoor air, soil gas and groundwater sampling
- Upcoming sampling
- Next steps in the cleanup process
- The Public Participation Plan

Latest Sampling Results

In February, sampling was conducted to evaluate cleanup progress in groundwater, soil gas and outdoor air. **Results show that solvent levels continue to decrease in groundwater and soil gas.**

From January through March, indoor air was tested in some South and North FVN homes. Sampling was done to confirm previous results and to address some residents' concerns about their indoor air. **Results show that there** were no elevated levels of solvents moving from the ground into indoor air in homes that were tested.

Upcoming Sampling

Plans are being finalized for future sampling of soil gas, groundwater and indoor air at some FVN homes. Sampling locations and frequency depend on results of previous sampling. Generally, groundwater and soil gas sampling are done every six months.

Indoor air sampling ensures homes that may be at the greatest risk of exposure have been identified. Sample locations are based on the condition of a home's foundation and its distance to the groundwater plume. Some homes with previously elevated solvent levels are also retested.

Next Steps in the Cleanup Process

Currently, Ecology is working to:

- Speed up the cleanup progress using a pump and treat system, which will be installed by the Port, to remove solvents at Cadet, Swan and in the FVN.
- Review and finalize the Remedial Investigation (RI) Reports for the Swan and Cadet sites.
- Begin a study examining cleanup options (Feasibility Study) once the RI reports are complete.

Public Involvement

The **Public Participation Plan** is now available online. This plan details how Ecology will keep the public informed and involved throughout the cleanup process. If you would like a copy of this plan, please contact Meg Bommarito (see box to the right).

Next Opportunity for Public Involvement: A public comment period for the new pump and treat system (as an Interim Action Agreed Order) is anticipated for late Fall 2007.

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Information about this site can be found at the following locations:

Department of Ecology Southwest Regional Office Toxics Cleanup Program 300 Desmond Dr. Lacey, WA 98503 (360) 407-6365

Vancouver Regional Library

Reference Desk 1007 E. Mill Plain Blvd. Vancouver, WA 98663 (360) 695-1566

Ecology's Web Site:

http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/ tcp/sites/cadet/cadet_hp.htm

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