



## **Toxics Cleanup Program**

# Proposed Removal from the Hazardous Sites List Available for Review and Public Comment

The Department of Ecology (Ecology) is proposing to remove four Sites located at the Yakima Airport from the Hazardous Sites List. The Hazardous Sites List is a statewide list of contaminated properties. Sites can be ranked from a "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.

The Sites included in this proposed removal from the List are:

- McAllister Flying Service, F/S # 24492962, rank 1
- Yakima City Airport, F/S # 27389546, rank 2
- Yakima Air Terminal, F/S # 1137597, rank 2
- Wayne G Turner Aircraft Service Inc., F/S # 26698574, rank 3

## **Public Comment Invited**

Ecology is asking for your written comments on the proposed removal of the Sites from the Hazardous Sites List. The Yakima Airport Site is located at 2400 W Washington Avenue in Yakima.

You are invited to:

- **Review** the Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study Report.
- Send your written comments to the Ecology Site Manager for consideration. Comments will be accepted from *April 13, 2011 through May 16, 2011*.

See the box at the right for details about where to review documents and submit comments.

## Site Background

In 1995, 1996, and 1998, underground storage tanks (USTs) containing various petroleum products were excavated from seven airport locations. Some of the excavations had either soil or groundwater petroleum product contamination above state cleanup levels. Some of the contaminated soil was remediated onsite, while some contaminated soil and groundwater from 13 tanks was left in the excavations.

## April 2011

## **Comments Accepted**

April 13, 2011 through May 16, 2011

Submit Comments and Technical Questions to:

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#### **DOCUMENT REVIEW LOCATIONS**

#### Yakima Valley Regional Library 102 N 3rd Street Yakima WA 98902 Phone: (509) 452-8541 Hours: Monday - Wednesday: 9 am – 9 pm Thursday - Friday: 9 am – 6 pm Saturday: 10 am – 6 pm Sunday: 12 pm – 4 pm

#### WA Department of Ecology Central Regional Office

15 W Yakima Avenue, Ste 200 Yakima, WA 98902 By appointment only:

Contact Roger Johnson, Roger.Johnson@ecy.wa.gov or (509) 454-7658

#### Ecology's Toxics Cleanup Website

http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/tcp/ sites/sites\_information.html

> Facility/Site ID #s: 24492962 27389546 1137597 26698574

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Three of the areas had multiple sites and all the areas had multiple tanks.

During these three years several contractors had excavated petroleum contaminated soils (PCS) surrounding the tanks and had either remediated the soil on-site by landfarming or taken them to an accepting landfill. However, during the tank excavations the airport infrastructure (buildings, etc.) did not allow for complete PCS excavation. Soil and groundwater samples taken during the excavations in 1995, 1996, and 1998 indicated that petroleum contaminated soils and groundwater were still present.

### **Cleanup Actions**

In April 2009, Ecology entered into an Agreed Order with the City of Yakima and County of Yakima, co-owners of the airport, to complete a Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (RI/FS) for the 28 airport underground storage tanks (USTs) excavated and removed in 1995, 1996, and 1998. The 28 tanks were located in four areas of the airport.

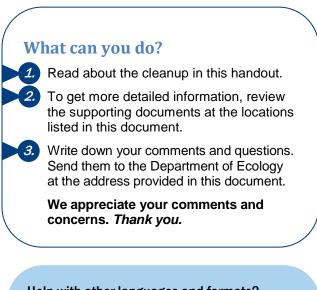
In 2009 the City and County hired a consultant to complete the RI/FS. The consultant reviewed former airport UST remediation submittals. They planned and completed 66 soil borings around all of the UST locations. The soil boring samples were analyzed for petroleum contaminants. The results showed that three tank sites had soil contamination less than Washington's cleanup standards and required no further work. At six other tank sites soil contamination was found to be of concern such that contaminated soils might have infiltrated to the airport's shallow groundwater table. Groundwater monitoring wells were installed at these six sites and sampled during at least three periods of the year. Results of groundwater sampling showed that petroleum contamination for all six sites were either nondetect or were less than Washington's cleanup standards.

#### Why Issue a Decision of No Further Action

Based on the earlier 1995, 1996, and 1998 remedial actions, and the more recent soil and groundwater sampling analyses, Ecology has determined the site does not pose a threat to human health or the environment. Therefore, Ecology proposes to remove the site from the Hazardous Sites List

## What Happens Next?

After the public comment period ends, Ecology will review comments received during the comment period. If no changes are necessary, the Site will be removed from the Hazardous Sites List.



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