

Site Register

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FORMAL CLEANUPS

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

CLARK COUNTY

Carborundum Company Site Facility Site ID# 1012
2100 NW 26th Avenue, Vancouver

Public comment period: 12/15/11 – 1/17/12

Five-Year Periodic Review Available for Comment

Ecology invites you to review and comment on a periodic (5-year) review of the Carborundum Company cleanup site. Soil, groundwater, and building debris at the site were contaminated with polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs), carcinogenic PAHs (cPAHs), and arsenic from historic business practices. From 1991-1998, the Port of Vancouver cleaned up the contamination under the Independent Remedial Action Program. Contaminated soil remains at the site under caps. An environmental covenant is in place.

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More information may be found at the web pages below:

Carborundum Company: <https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/gsp/Sitepage.aspx?csid=3552>

Ecology's Public Events Calendar: <http://www.ecy.wa.gov/>; click on calendar.

You may review the documents at the following location:

- Ecology's Southwest Regional Office Toxics Cleanup Program – 300 Desmond Drive, Lacey, WA. (Please contact Debbie Nelson for an appointment at 360/ 407-6365 or Debbie.Nelson@ecy.wa.gov.)

Former Totem Pole Restaurant Site Facility Site ID# 21515785
7720 NE Highway 99, Vancouver

Public comment period: 1/3/12 – 2/3/12

Five-Year Periodic Review Available for Comment

Ecology invites you to review and comment on a periodic (5-year) review of the Former Totem Pole Restaurant site at 7720 NE Highway 99, where Highway 99 crosses NE 78th Street.

It is now home to a framing store, cell phone store, coffee shop, and tanning salon. Between around 1930 and 1960, there was an auto service station on the site. Its underground storage tank system released fuels into soil and groundwater. A cleanup in 2000 included digging up over 2,000 tons of contaminated soils and disposing of them at landfills. Some soil contamination remains on the site, but is covered by an asphalt cap.

Although contaminated soil remains on the site, the asphalt cap protects people from coming into contact with it. Also, the contamination is not impacting groundwater. The property owner must continue to make sure the asphalt cap is in good shape. Ecology will do another review in five years.

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Former Totem Pole Restaurant: <https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/gsp/Sitepage.aspx?csid=5686>

Ecology's Public Events Calendar: <http://www.ecy.wa.gov/>; click on calendar.

You may review the documents at the following location:

- Vancouver Regional Library – 1007 East Mill Plain Road, Vancouver, WA. Call 360/ 695-1566.
- Ecology's Southwest Regional Office Toxics Cleanup Program – 300 Desmond Drive, Lacey, WA. (Please contact Debbie Nelson for an appointment at 360/ 407-6365 or Debbie.Nelson@ecy.wa.gov.)

GRAYS HARBOR COUNTY

Brumfield Twidwell Site **Facility Site ID# 94658144**
301 East Pioneer Street, Montesano

Public comment period: 12/1/11 – 1/3/12

Agreed Order Amendment and Draft Cleanup Action Plan Available for Comment

Ecology invites the public to comment on proposed cleanup plans for the Brumfield Twidwell site. In the past, the property was used as an auto dealership, service station, and repair shop.

From 2005-2006, Bryan and Kathleen Kolb, the property owners, redeveloped the site and removed petroleum-contaminated soil and an underground storage tank. Tests in 2006 showed that some contamination remained at the site. In 2006, Ecology entered into an agreed order with Kolb to begin cleanup at the site.

Five documents are ready for public review and comment:

- Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study report.
- Draft Cleanup Action Plan.
- State Environmental Policy Act Determination and Checklist.
- Agreed Order Amendment.
- Public Participation Plan.

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Brumfield Twidwell: <https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/gsp/Sitepage.aspx?csid=6914>

Ecology's Public Events Calendar: <http://www.ecy.wa.gov/>; click on calendar.

You may review the documents at the following locations:

- W.H. Abel Library – 125 South Main Street, Montesano, WA. Call 360/ 249-4211.
- Montesano City Hall – 112 North Main Street, Montesano, WA. Call 360/ 249-3021.
- Ecology's Southwest Regional Office Toxics Cleanup Program – 300 Desmond Drive, Lacey, WA. (Please contact Debbie Nelson for an appointment at 360/ 407-6365 or Debbie.Nelson@ecy.wa.gov.)

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KING COUNTY

General Electric Aviation Div Site
220 South Dawson Street, Seattle

Facility Site ID# 2522

Negotiations for Consent Decree

Ecology entered into negotiations with the General Electric Company (GE) on Nov. 2, 2011, for a consent decree. A consent decree is a legal document between Ecology and GE that outlines the process and schedule for cleanup activities at the site.

In 1949, GE purchased property at 220 S. Dawson St. in Seattle. From 1959 to 1994, GE manufactured and repaired aircraft parts at the property. In 1994, GE ceased manufacturing and repair operations at the property. GE used the property as warehouse and office space until December 1996, when GE sold and vacated the property. Since then, various companies have used the building on the property as a warehouse and office space.

The consent decree will provide for site cleanup and post-cleanup monitoring of groundwater, soil and indoor air due to releases of contaminants to the environment by GE. The cleanup will also help prevent future potential migration of contaminants into the Duwamish River.

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PIERCE COUNTY

RW Investments Site **Facility Site ID# 1365**
2150 Taylor Way (formerly 3376 Lincoln Avenue), Tacoma

Public comment period: 12/15/11 – 1/17/12

Five-Year Periodic Review Draft Report Completed

Ecology invites you to review and provide comment on a periodic (5-year) review of the RW Investments cleanup site. From 1992-1993, then-owner RW Investments found ethylbenzene, styrene, hexachlorobutadine and total petroleum hydrocarbons above cleanup levels in groundwater and soil.

In 1993, storage sheds that had housed liquid fiberglass resin and petroleum products and contaminated soil were removed from the site. Contaminated soil remains at the site under buildings and compacted gravel surfaces. An environmental covenant is in place.

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- Ecology's Southwest Regional Office Toxics Cleanup Program – 300 Desmond Drive, Lacey, WA. (Please contact Debbie Nelson for an appointment at 360/ 407-6365 or Debbie.Nelson@ecy.wa.gov.)

Cascade Timber 3 POT Site **Facility Site ID# 1206**
Thorne Road and Maxwell Way, Tacoma

Public comment period: 1/3/12 – 2/3/12

Five-Year Periodic Review Draft Report Completed

Ecology invites you to review and provide comment on a periodic (5-year) review of the Cascade Timber 3 POT cleanup site, which sits along Maxwell Way between Port of Tacoma Road and Thorne Road in Tacoma. The Port of Tacoma currently uses the property as a storage area for parking imported new cars.

From 1978 to 1984, the Cascade Timber Company used the property as a log sort yard. In 1982, the company brought about 500 tons of ASARCO slag to an area of the property. A 1985 Ecology study found high levels of metals in stormwater leaving log sort yards, including Cascade Timber 3. Under a 1991 cleanup agreement with Ecology, the Port of Tacoma put an asphalt cap over the site.

Although contaminated soil remains on the site, the asphalt cap protects people from coming into contact with it. The port must continue to monitor groundwater every 18 months and inspect the cap every 30 months.

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Cascade Timber 3 POT: <https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/gsp/Sitepage.aspx?csid=2693>

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- Ecology's Southwest Regional Office Toxics Cleanup Program – 300 Desmond Drive, Lacey, WA. (Please contact Debbie Nelson for an appointment at 360/ 407-6365 or Debbie.Nelson@ecy.wa.gov.)

Oline Storage Yard Site **Facility Site ID# 2452753**
1915 Marine View Drive, Tacoma

Public comment period: 1/3/12 – 2/3/12

Agreed Order Available for Public Comment

The Oline Storage Yard site is located at 1915 Marine View Drive, upslope from the Hylebos Waterway. Since 2003, Ecology has done some soil cleanup. Don Oline used the site as a salvage yard, which resulted in a buildup of chemical waste and petroleum products.

Ecology is asking for public comment on an agreed order for cleanup. It requires Don and Ron Oline to:

- Find and remove hazardous waste on the property.
- Investigate the nature and extent of contamination.
- Compare cleanup options.
- Draft a cleanup plan.

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More information may be found at the web pages below:

Oline Storage Yard: <https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/gsp/Sitepage.aspx?csid=2464>

Ecology's Public Events Calendar: <http://www.ecy.wa.gov/>; click on calendar.

You may review the documents at the following locations:

- Kobetich Library – 212 Browns Point Blvd. NE, Tacoma, WA. Call 253/ 591-5630.
- Citizens for a Healthy Bay – 535 Dock Street. Suite 213, Tacoma, WA. Call 253/ 383-2429.
- Ecology's Southwest Regional Office Toxics Cleanup Program – 300 Desmond Drive, Lacey, WA. (Please contact Debbie Nelson for an appointment at 360/ 407-6365 or Debbie.Nelson@ecy.wa.gov.)

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SNOHOMISH COUNTY

North Marina West End Site
335 East Main Street, Palouse

Facility Site ID# 3306834

Consent Decree and Draft Cleanup Action Plan Filed

The consent decree and cleanup action plan for the North Marina West End site was filed and entered at the Snohomish County District Courthouse on Dec. 9, 2011. Long-term compliance monitoring will include sampling on-site groundwater wells and one sediment location.

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More information may be found at the web page below:

North Marina West End: <https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/gsp/Sitepage.aspx?csid=934>

YAKIMA COUNTY

Frank Wear Cleaners Site
106 South 3rd Avenue, Yakima

Facility Site ID# 444

CSID# 4194

Public comment period: 12/14/11 – 1/16/12

Interim Action Planned; SEPA Documents Available for Review

Ecology plans to install and operate a soil vapor extraction (SVE) system and develop a cleanup action plan at the Frank Wear Cleaners site. The site has tetrachloroethene (PCE) in soil and groundwater. A draft cleanup action plan is expected to be completed by summer 2012. When the plan is drafted, it will be available for review and comment.

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Frank Wear Cleaners: <https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/gsp/Sitepage.aspx?csid=4194>

Ecology's Public Events Calendar: <http://www.ecy.wa.gov/>; click on calendar.

You may review the documents at the following locations:

- Yakima Valley Regional Library – 102 N. 3rd St., Yakima, WA. Call 253/ 591-5666.
- Ecology's Central Regional Office Toxics Cleanup Program – 15 W. Yakima Ave., Suite 200, Yakima, WA. (Please call 509/ 454-7658 for an appointment.)

NEWS & NOTES

Ecology extends comment period for fish consumption rate report

The public has more time to comment on a report related to improving protections for fish harvested from Washington's waters and the people who eat them.

The draft report is called "Fish Consumption Rates Technical Support Document: A Review of Data and Information About Fish Consumption in Washington." It focuses on fish consumption in Washington and current scientific information.

The comment period was scheduled to end at 5 p.m. Dec. 30, 2011. The period now will end at 5 p.m. Jan. 18, 2012, because of requests for more time to provide comments.

You can view the draft document and follow this effort at <https://www.ecy.wa.gov/toxics/fish.html>.

You may email comments about the report to Ecology at fishconsumption@ecy.wa.gov.

Washington uses fish consumption rates as a basis for environmental cleanup and pollution control. The state currently uses two rates based on assumptions about how much fish and shellfish residents eat: 6.5 grams per day incorporated into water quality standards, and 54 grams per day, which is used in setting sediment and water cleanup standards. The rates were developed in the early 1980s and 1990s.

But current science indicates that those rates do not accurately reflect how much of our state's fish and shellfish actually is eaten by residents each day. In fact, the available information indicates that some of us consume much larger amounts. The study focuses on a range that would be protective of high fish-consuming people and groups.

Eating fish and shellfish are important parts of a healthy diet. The American Heart Association recommends eating fish at least two times per week. Also, the acts of catching, preparing and eating fish are important cultural and family practices as well.

Washington-grown shellfish rank among the world's cleanest and healthiest. They are shipped to markets throughout the world. Having an accurate fish consumption rate helps protect Washington's healthy shellfish resources today into the future.

The public comment period is one way that Ecology is trying to engage Washington residents in a dialogue on this issue. In addition, Ecology hosted a Dec. 12 workshop in Seattle to talk with people about this effort. More than 100 people attended.

VOLUNTARY CLEANUP PROGRAM

A property owner cleaning up a contaminated site may enter Ecology's Voluntary Cleanup Program (VCP).

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INDEPENDENT CLEANUPS

A property owner may conduct an independent cleanup of contamination and submit reports to Ecology.

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GLOSSARY

Agreed Order - A legal agreement with Ecology to make sure the cleanup meets the standards of Washington State's cleanup law, the Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA).

Cleanup Action Plan (CAP) - A document that describes the selected cleanup method(s) and specifies cleanup standards and other requirements. It is based on information and technical analyses generated during the RI/FS and consideration of public comments and community concerns. A draft of the CAP (DCAP) is made available for public review and comment before finalizing.

Comment Period - A time period during which the public can review and comment on various documents and Ecology or EPA actions. For example, a comment period is provided to allow community members to review and comment on proposed cleanup action alternatives and proposed plans. Also, a comment period is held to allow community members to review and comment on draft feasibility studies.

Consent Decree - A formal legal agreement that is filed with a court. It describes studies and/or cleanup work to be done at a site and the terms under which that work is to be done.

Engineering Design Report - Engineering design reports outline the specific details for implementation and operation of the first phase of the cleanup actions.

ERTS - Environmental Response Tracking System

Five-Year Periodic Review - A periodic review is conducted at least every five years after the initiation of a cleanup action at a site, as required by the Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA). The purposes of the review are to evaluate site conditions, after cleanup is considered complete, and to ensure protection of human health and the environment.

Hazardous Sites List - A statewide list of contaminated properties. Ecology may remove a site from the list only after determining that all remedial actions except confirmational monitoring have been completed and compliance with the cleanup standards has been achieved at the site, or the listing was erroneous.

Independent Cleanup Action - Any remedial action without department oversight or approval and not under an order or decree

LUST - Leaking Underground Storage Tank

NFA - No Further Action

PSI - Puget Sound Initiative

Public Participation Plan - Outlines and describes the tools Ecology will use to inform the public about site activities, and it identifies opportunities for the community to become involved in this process.

RCW - Revised Code of Washington

Remedial Action - Construction work done to clean up a contaminated site.

Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study - Two distinct but related studies. They are usually performed at the same time, and together referred to as the "RI/FS."

Responsiveness Summary - A summary of oral and/or written public comments received by Ecology during a comment period on key documents, and Ecology's responses to those comments.

RI/FS - See Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study

SEPA - State Environmental Policy Act

SHA, Site Hazard Assessment - An assessment to gather information about a site to confirm whether a release of hazardous substances has occurred and to enable Ecology to evaluate the relative potential hazard posed by the release.

UST - Underground Storage Tank

UXO - Unexploded Ordnance **VCP** - Voluntary Cleanup Program

Voluntary Cleanup Program (VCP) - The VCP is one of several options for cleaning up a hazardous waste site under the state's cleanup law. Under this option, property owners may perform a cleanup independently and request services from Ecology for a fee.

WAC - Washington Administrative Code

WARM, Washington Ranking Method - The method used to rank sites placed on the Hazardous Sites List.

Additional glossary terms may be found on the Ecology website at:
http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/tcp/tcp_acronym_list.htm

SITE INFORMATION ONLINE

Visit this link to find info on all TCP sites: <https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/gsp>.

To find out about Public Events related to the sites listed in this issue, go to
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