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FORMAL CLEANUPS

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

CLALLAM COUNTY

Port Angeles Harbor Sediments Investigation Clallam County

Public comment period extended: 2/23/12 – 5/22/12

Public open house held 3/13/12 in Port Angeles

Study Reports Available for Public Comment

Port Angeles Harbor has long been home to pulp, paper, plywood, petroleum, shipping, and other industries. Over time, these activities released contamination into the local environment. In 2008, Department of Ecology collected sediment and tissue samples from throughout harbor.

Parts of the harbor have harmful levels of dioxins/furans, pesticides, metals, and other contaminants. Some areas also have wood debris, which can produce toxic ammonia and sulfides. Protecting the harbor will likely require:

- Cleaning up sediment contamination hotspots.
- Removing wood debris.
- Preventing future pollution.

Ecology is putting together the evidence needed to name Potentially Liable Persons (PLPs) – the parties responsible for cleanup. Rayonier will use some of the study data to help plan its cleanup in the eastern part of the harbor.

A public open house was held Tuesday, March 13, 2012, at Olympic Medical Center in Port Angeles.

The sediment investigation report describes the sampling data. The supplemental data evaluation analyzes the data and recommends next steps. The public comment period on these documents has been extended from March 23 to May 22, 2012.

You may review the documents on the following locations:

- 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.)
- Port Angeles Library – 2210 S. Peabody St., Port Angeles. Call 360/ 417-8500.
- Peninsula College – 1502 E. Lauridsen Blvd., Port Angeles. Call 360/ 417-6280.

More information may be found at the web pages below:

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

Port Angeles sediments reports: http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/tcp/sites_brochure/portAngelesHarborSed/paSed_hp.htm

Please submit comments and questions to project manager Connie Groven.

Project Manager: **Connie Groven**
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For public involvement information, please contact Hannah Aoyagi at 360/ 407-6790 or Hannah.Aoyagi@ecy.wa.gov.

FRANKLIN COUNTY

Pasco Landfill Site **Facility Site ID# 575** **CSID# 1910**
Dietrich Road near the intersection of Kahlotus Road with U.S. Highway 12, Franklin County

Negotiations Extended 30 days for New Agreed Order Requiring a Focused Feasibility Study

Ecology began negotiations Jan. 12, 2012, for a new agreed order with several parties known as potentially liable persons (PLPs). The order will require the 33 different PLPs to conduct a focused feasibility study (FFS) that provides an updated evaluation of cleanup alternatives for soil and groundwater at the site. The order also addresses routine, ongoing interim remedial actions that must continue until a final cleanup remedy is selected and implemented. Negotiations are being extended for another 30 days and it is anticipated they will now be completed on May 14, 2012.

The landfill property covers nearly 250 acres and is located about 1.5 miles northeast of the city of Pasco in Franklin County. The landfill is on Dietrich Road by the intersection of Kahlotus Road with U.S. Highway 12.

Several chemicals associated with wastes disposed at the landfill have been detected in soil and groundwater. A long, narrow area of groundwater contamination called a plume lies beneath certain areas of the landfill. The plume extends nearly 1.5 miles beyond the landfill's southern boundary.

Site-related contamination consists of volatile and semivolatile organic compounds, metals, herbicides, pesticides, polychlorinated biphenyls, and other materials.

Questions may be directed to site manager Chuck Gruenenfelder.

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More information may be found at the web page below:

Pasco Landfill: <https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/gsp/Sitepage.aspx?csid=1910>

Para asistencia en Español: Richelle Perez, 360/407-7528

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GRAYS HARBOR COUNTY

Briggs Nursery Site **Facility Site ID# 27459699**
715 South Bank Road, Porter

Public comment period: 4/5/12 – 5/4/12

Five-Year Periodic Review Draft Report Completed

Ecology invites you to review and comment on a periodic (5-year) review of the Briggs Nursery site in Porter. In the past, the site was used as a dairy farm. When Briggs purchased the site in 1991, the company found evidence of petroleum contamination.

Sampling in 1998 confirmed the contamination.

Briggs entered the Voluntary Cleanup Program in 1999 and removed about 300 tons of contaminated soil. Some contaminated soil remains at the site under a building. Groundwater contamination was no longer detected during final sampling from 2002-2003. An environmental covenant is in place for the site.

Please submit comments and questions to site manager Panjini Balaraju.

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More information may be found at the web pages below:

Briggs Nursery site: <https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/gsp/Sitepage.aspx?csid=5803>

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.)

KING COUNTY

Troy Laundry Site
307 Fairview Avenue North, Seattle

Facility Site ID# 19135499

CSID# 11690

Public comment period: 4/6/12 – 5/7/12

Agreed Order Available for Public Comment

Ecology invites comments on the agreed order for the Troy Laundry site located south of Lake Union at 307 Fairview Ave. N in Seattle. This site reportedly operated as an industrial dry-cleaning facility from 1926 until 1985.

In March 2012, Ecology and Touchstone SLU LLC (Touchstone) negotiated a draft legal agreement called an agreed order. Under this agreed order, Touchstone agrees to complete the following remedial actions:

- Submit a draft remedial investigation (RI) Report.
- Prepare a supplemental RI work plan, if required.
- Submit a draft feasibility study (FS) report.
- Submit a revised RI report with Ecology's comments on the draft RI report.
- Submit a revised FS report with Ecology's comments on the draft FS report.
- Prepare a final RI report and a final FS report. These reports present the results of investigations on the nature and extent of contamination and evaluate alternatives for cleaning up the contamination.
- Develop a draft cleanup action plan (DCAP) that describes the implementation of the preferred alternative in the FS.
- Complete monthly progress reports that address the RI, FS, CAP and site remedial actions. The reports shall address and describe the progress toward completion of the agreed order.

The public participation plan also is available for comment. This plan outlines the tools that Ecology will use to inform the public about site activities. It also identifies opportunities for the community to become involved in this process.

Please submit comments and questions to site manager Russ Olsen.

Site Manager: **Russ Olsen**
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More information may be found at the web pages below:

Troy Laundry site: <https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/gsp/Sitepage.aspx?csid=11690>

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

You may review the documents at the following locations:

- Seattle Public Library – 1000 4th Ave., Seattle, WA. Call 206/ 386-4636.
- Ecology's Northwest Regional Office Toxics Cleanup Program – 3190 160th Avenue SE, Bellevue, WA. (Please contact Sally Perkins for an appointment at 425/ 649-7190 or Sally.Perkins@ecy.wa.gov.)

For special accommodations or documents in alternate format, call 425/ 425-7117, 711 (relay service), or 877/ 833-6341 (TTY).

KITSAP COUNTY

Fred Meyer Stores Inc. Site **CSID# 5165**
1900 SE Sedgewick Road, Port Orchard

Public comment period: 3/23/12 – 4/23/12

Agreed Order and Cleanup Documents Available for Public Comment

Ecology invites comments on the agreed order and cleanup documents for the Fred Meyer Stores Inc. site (also known as the former Bethel Texaco site) at 1900 SE Sedgewick Road in Port Orchard.

In March 2012, Ecology and Fred Meyer Stores Inc. (Fred Meyer) will enter into an agreed order for this site. Under the agreed order, Fred Meyer agrees to:

- Continue quarterly monitoring at site wells.
- Continue to operate an existing subsurface remediation system until cleanup levels are met in all wells.
- Evaluate the remediation system quarterly to determine if it is working properly.
- Evaluate potential contingency plans if the remediation system has not meet cleanup standards by the second quarter of 2015.
- Develop a contingency plan that identifies an alternative cleanup action that can be implemented if Ecology concludes that additional remedial actions are required.

An updated public participation plan is also available for comment. The plan outlines and describes the methods that Ecology will use to inform the public about site activities.

Please direct questions and comments to site manager Russ Olsen.

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More information may be found at the web pages below:

Fred Meyer Stores Inc. site: <https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/gsp/Sitepage.aspx?csid=5165>

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

You may review the documents at the following locations:

- Kitsap Regional Library – 87 Sidney Ave., Port Orchard, WA. Call 360/ 876-2224.
- Ecology’s Northwest Regional Office Toxics Cleanup Program – 3190 160th Avenue SE, Bellevue, WA. (Please contact Sally Perkins for an appointment at 425/ 649-7190 or Sally.Perkins@ecy.wa.gov.)

For special accommodations or documents in alternative format, call (425) 649-7117, 711 (relay service), or (877) 833-6341 (TTY).

MASON COUNTY

Olympic Wood Products
30 East Export Road, Shelton

Facility Site ID# 1189

Public comment period: 3/22/12 – 4/20/12

Five-Year Periodic Review Draft Report Completed

Ecology invites you to review and comment on a periodic (5-year) review of the Olympic Wood Products (OWP) cleanup site in Mason County.

In the past, OWP used the site for milling and treating wood. Investigations found two types of petroleum hydrocarbons (TPH-D and TPH-O) and pentachlorophenol (PCP), and di-iodo-butane above state cleanup levels. OWP entered the voluntary cleanup program and removed some contaminated soil.

Some contaminated soil remains at the site under pavement and structures. An environmental covenant is in place for the site.

Please direct questions and written comments to site manager Panjini Balaraju.

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More information may be found at the web pages below:

Olympic Wood Products site: <https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/gsp/Sitepage.aspx?csid=2412>

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.)

PIERCE COUNTY

ARCA Systems/Xytex Plastics Site
9314 47th Avenue Southeast, Tacoma

Facility Site ID# 1286

Public comment period: 4/5/12 – 5/4/12

Five-Year Periodic Review Draft Report Completed

Ecology invites you to review and provide comment on a periodic (5-year) review of the ARCA Systems/Xytex Plastics cleanup site. Starting in the late 1970s, several different companies made plastic products at the site.

Investigations found soils contaminated with tetrachloroethylene (PCE) and other volatile organic chemicals. In 1993 and 1997, Clorox Company, which was leasing the site, installed two soil vapor extraction systems, each of which operated for about one year.

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Please direct questions and written comments to site manager Panjini Balaraju.

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More information may be found at the web pages below:

ARCA Systems/Xytec Plastics: <https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/gsp/Sitepage.aspx?csid=3556>

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.)

1920 Port of Tacoma Road Site
1920 Port of Tacoma Road, Tacoma

Facility Site ID# 30005

Public comment period: 4/9/12 – 5/8/12

Agreed Order Available for Public Comment

The site is located at 1920 Port of Tacoma Road, near the Blair Waterway. Starting in 1958, U.S. Oil & Refining used five pipelines to move petroleum back and forth from its dock on the Blair Waterway to its refinery on Lincoln Avenue. These pipelines released petroleum into the surrounding soil, causing contamination.

Ecology is asking for public comment on an agreed order for cleanup. It requires U.S. Oil & Refining to:

1. Investigate the nature and extent of contamination.
2. Compare cleanup options.
3. Draft a cleanup action plan.

Please direct questions and comments to site manager Marv Coleman.

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More information may be found at the web pages below:

1920 Port of Tacoma Road: <https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/gsp/Sitepage.aspx?csid=3801>

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

You may review the documents on the following locations:

- Tacoma Public Library – 1102 Tacoma Ave., Tacoma, WA. Call 253/ 591-5666.

- Citizens for a Healthy Bay – 535 Dock St., 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.)
- For public involvement information, please contact Hannah Aoyagi at 360/ 407-6790 or Hannah.Aoyagi@ecy.wa.gov.

SPOKANE COUNTY

BNSF Railway Black Tank Site
3202 East Wellesley, Spokane

Facility Site ID# 98615712

CSID# 3243

Negotiations Begin for Agreed Order

Negotiations for an agreed order will begin March 8, 2012, between Ecology, BNSF Railway Company, and Marathon Oil Company. The order requires BNSF and Marathon to conduct a remedial investigation and feasibility study at the Black Tank site.

Historically the site housed a 50-foot diameter aboveground storage tank, which included pipes and pumping infrastructure. The tank was removed in 2006 along with contaminated soil under and adjacent to the tank. Investigations conducted after the tank and soil removal indicated several groundwater monitoring wells contained petroleum product.

The remedial investigation will gather additional information about the nature and extent of petroleum contamination in soil and groundwater at the site. The feasibility study will evaluate cleanup options for site-related contaminants.

Please direct questions to site manager Jeremy Schmidt.

Site Manager: **Jeremy Schmidt**
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BNSF Parkwater Site
5302 East Trent Avenue, Spokane

Facility Site ID# 676

CSID# 1318

Negotiations Begin for Consent Decree

Ecology began negotiations on Dec. 30, 2011, with the BNSF Railway Company (BNSF) for a consent decree.

The consent decree is a legal agreement that describes the responsibilities of all parties in implementing soil and groundwater cleanup at the BNSF Parkwater site. The consent decree assures work is conducted in a timely manner, in accordance with the Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA), and all other applicable laws and regulations.

The facility, formerly known as Yardley, is one-half mile south of the Spokane River and lies over the Spokane Valley Rathdrum Prairie Aquifer. The property covers about 130 acres that has been used as a rail yard for nearly 100 years. Operations continue today and include fueling, intermodal operations, and switching of rail cars.

Past investigations confirmed contamination exceeded state standards in seven of 10 areas studied. Contaminants included petroleum hydrocarbons, arsenic, cadmium, lead, mercury, naphthalene, methylene chloride and cPAHs.

Negotiations are expected to be completed in 90 days. Upon completion of negotiations, the draft consent decree and associated documents will be made available to the public for review and comment.

Questions may be directed to site manager Sandra Treccani.

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More information may be found at the web page below:

BNSF Parkwater: <https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/gsp/Sitepage.aspx?csid=1318>

STEVENS COUNTY

L-Bar Site **Facility Site ID# 762** **CSID# 88**
Located approximately 2 miles south of Chewelah in the Colville River Valley

Public comment period: 3/22/12 – 4/20/12

Five-Year Periodic Review Draft Available for Public Review

Ecology invites you to review and comment on a document called a periodic review for the L-Bar site in Stevens County. 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.

The L-Bar site covers roughly 67 acres of industrial and agricultural land. The primary site use was commercial or industrial except for one parcel of land used for agricultural purposes. Large quantities of magnesite ore were processed and stockpiled from the 1930s until 1967.

In the mid-1970s, the facility was converted to recover magnesium from a magnesium processing byproduct commonly referred to as flux bar (FB). The recovery process involved crushing raw flux bars and screening the crushed materials to recover metallic magnesium granules. The remaining material was called flux bar residue (FBR). The facility closed in 1991 due to insolvency.

Past operating practices and inadequate storage of FB and FBR resulted in contaminants getting into soil, ground water, and surface water. Contaminants included chloride, total dissolved solids, ammonia, nitrate, nitrite, high pH, metals (barium, manganese, selenium, and thallium), and magnesite residue.

Cleanup actions included removal of contaminated soils, source control, natural attenuation, and long term monitoring. Site cleanup levels have not been met although some improvements to ground water and surface water quality have been shown.

A restrictive covenant was placed on the property in 2001. The covenant limits ways the land may be used including groundwater use. If the site is purchased and developed, the covenant will prevent a property use that might expose hazardous materials that remain on the site. The restrictive covenant ensures that the integrity of the remedial action will be protected.

Ecology recommends ground water and surface water monitoring be continued; the MDL for thallium analysis should be at least 2 times the cleanup level. Supplemental site investigation in the area of SA-11 be conducted to determine if source materials are still present and to conduct additional materials removal, if necessary as recommended in NorthWest Alloy's 2011 Compliance Monitoring & Data Evaluation Report.

Ecology will review all comments received during the comment period and make recommendations for suggested changes. If no significant changes are made, the periodic review will become final. If significant changes are made, an additional public comment period will be held.

Please submit comments and questions to site manager Teresita Bala.

Site Manager: **Teresita Bala**
Eastern Regional Office
509/ 429-3543
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You may review the periodic review report at the following locations:

- L-Bar site: <https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/gsp/Sitepage.aspx?csid=88>
- Ecology's Eastern Regional Office Toxics Cleanup Program – 4601 N. Monroe, Spokane, WA. (Please contact Kari Johnson for an appointment at 509/ 329-3415 or Kari.Johnson@ecy.wa.gov.)

THURSTON COUNTY

RAM Auto & Truck Recycling Site **Facility Site ID# 63563665**
8048 Martin Way East, Lacey

Public comment period: 3/12/12 – 4/10/12

Site Proposed for Removal from Hazardous Sites List

Ecology proposes to remove the RAM Auto & Truck Recycling site from the Hazardous Sites List (HSL). The site was ranked a 1 on the HSL. A rank of "1" represents the highest level of risk compared to other sites, and a rank of "5" represents the lowest.

The site was cleaned up under the Voluntary Cleanup Program. Ecology has determined that this site does not pose a threat to human health or the environment and recommends removing the site from the HSL.

Please direct questions and comments to site manager Scott Rose.

Site Manager: **Scott Rose**
Southwest Regional Office
360/ 407-6347
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More information may be found at the web pages below:

RAM Auto & Truck Recycling: <https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/gsp/Sitepage.aspx?csid=6417>

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

You may review the documents at the following locations:

- Olympia Timberland Library – 313 8th Ave. SE, Olympia, WA. Call 360/ 352-0595.
- 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.)

For public involvement information, please contact Diana Smith at 360/ 407-6255 or Diana.Smith@ecy.wa.gov.

Industrial Petroleum Distributors Site **Facility Site ID# 1436**
1117 and 1120 West Bay Drive, Olympia

Negotiations Under Way for Agreed Order

Ecology and Atlantic Richfield Company (ARCO) are negotiating an agreed order to complete a remedial investigation/feasibility study and draft cleanup action plan at the Industrial Petroleum Distributors site. Negotiations began on Feb. 7, 2012, and will end on April 6, 2012.

The agreed order Ecology is currently negotiating will supersede and replace the agreed order that Ecology, ARCO and the Disclaimer Trust created under the last will and testament of John J. O'Connell entered into in 2000.

A portion of the site (west of West Bay Drive) was cleaned up through Ecology's Voluntary Cleanup Program.

Please direct questions to site manager Steve Teel.

Site Manager: **Steve Teel**
Southwest Regional Office
360/ 407-6247
Steve.Teel@ecy.wa.gov

Industrial Petroleum Distributors: **<https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/gsp/Sitepage.aspx?csid=4240>**

Hardel Mutual Plywood Site
1210 West Bay Drive NW, Olympia

Facility Site ID# 75128579

CSID# 3704

Public comment period: 3/22/12 – 4/20/12

Draft Cleanup Action Plan Available for Public Comment

Ecology invites the public to comment on draft cleanup plans for the Hardel Mutual Plywood site. In the past, the site was used for logging and lumber-related businesses. Past activities contaminated soil and groundwater with petroleum hydrocarbons and polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons.

While investigating the site, Hardel found that some contamination was moving toward Budd Inlet. In 2010, Ecology held a public comment period and approved an interim action.

After completing the interim action, Hardel sampled groundwater for one year. Since they found no contaminants above cleanup levels, Ecology now considers the cleanup complete. You can read more about the cleanup in the draft Cleanup Action Plan.

The following documents are available for public review and comment:

- Remedial investigation
- Feasibility study
- Draft cleanup action plan

Please submit comments and questions to site manager Guy Barrett.

Site Manager: **Guy Barrett**
Southwest Regional Office
360/ 407-7115
Guy.Barrett@ecy.wa.gov

More information may be found at the web pages below:

Hardel Mutual Plywood site: **<https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/gsp/Sitepage.aspx?csid=3704>**

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

You may review the documents at the following locations:

- Olympia Timberland Library – 314 8th Ave. SE, Olympia, WA. Call 360/ 352-0595.
- 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**.)

For public involvement information, please contact Diana Smith at 360/ 407-6255 or **Diana.Smith@ecy.wa.gov**.

WHATCOM COUNTY

Blaine Marina Inc. Site
Blaine

Facility Site ID# 2888

Public comment period: 4/9/12 – 5/9/12

Draft Agreed Order and Proposed Interim Action Available for Public Comment

Ecology invites the public to comment on a draft agreed order between Ecology and the Port of Bellingham, and interim cleanup action, for the Blaine Marina Inc. site in Blaine. When finalized, the draft agreed order will first require the Port to perform an interim cleanup action to repair a damaged bulkhead which is failing and at risk of spreading contamination to the waters of Blaine Harbor.

The Port will then be required to study the environmental conditions of the site (called a remedial investigation) and analyze cleanup options (called a feasibility study). This information will be used to develop a draft cleanup action plan, which describes the selected cleanup method. Upon Ecology approval that plan will then be implemented at the site.

Please direct questions and comments to site manager Jing Liu.

Site Manager: **Jing Liu**
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More information may be found at the web pages below:

Blaine Marina Inc. site: <https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/gsp/Sitepage.aspx?csid=63>

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

You may review the documents at the following locations:

- Bellingham Public Library – 210 Central Ave., Bellingham, WA. Call 360/ 778-7323.
- Ecology's Bellingham Field Office – 1440 10th St. Call Linsay Albin at 360/ 715-5200 for an appointment.
- Ecology's Northwest Regional Office Toxics Cleanup Program – 3190 160th Avenue SE, Bellevue, WA. (Please contact Sally Perkins for an appointment at 425/ 649-7190 or Sally.Perkins@ecy.wa.gov.)

YAKIMA COUNTY

Apple Valley Elementary Site
7 N. 88th Avenue, Yakima

Facility Site ID# 3464749

Public comment period: 3/15/12 – 4/16/12

Public meeting: 4/16/12, 6 p.m. at Apple Valley Elementary School, 7 N. 88th Ave., Yakima

Public Meeting Scheduled; Interim Action Plan Available for Public Comment

Ecology plans to conduct an interim action at the Apple Valley Elementary School at 7 N. 88th Ave. in Yakima. An interim action is a partial cleanup of a site.

Ecology invites you to a public meeting at 6 p.m. on April 16, 2012, at Apple Valley Elementary School to learn more about the proposed cleanup. This meeting is an opportunity to learn more about the planned activities at this site, to ask questions, and to provide Ecology with your comments.

Please submit comments and questions to site manager Mark Dunbar.

Site Manager: **Mark Dunbar**
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More information may be found at the web pages below:

Apple Valley Elementary site: <https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/gsp/Sitepage.aspx?csid=882>

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

You may review materials at the following locations:

- West Valley School District – 8902 Zier Road, Yakima, WA. Call 509/ 452-8541.
- Yakima Valley Regional Library – 102 N. 3rd Ave., Yakima, WA. Call 509/ 972-6000.
- Ecology's Central Regional Office Toxics Cleanup Program – 15 W. Yakima Ave., Suite 200, Yakima, WA. (Please call 509/ 454-7658 for an appointment.)

Robys Services Site
800 Buena Road, Buena

Facility Site ID# 93453337

Public comment period: 3/15/12 – 4/16/12

Interim Action Plan Available for Public Comment

Ecology plans to conduct an interim action at the former Roby's Service Station at 800 Buena Road in Buena. An interim action is a partial cleanup of contamination at the site. The planned work includes excavation and removal of contaminated soil and removal of a waste oil tank. Please submit comments and questions to site manager Mary Monahan.

Site Manager: **Mary Monahan**
Central Regional Office
509/ 454-7840
Mary.Monahan@ecy.wa.gov

More information may be found at the web pages below:

Robys Services: <https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/gsp/Sitepage.aspx?csid=1937>

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

You may review materials at the following locations:

- Buena Post Office – 770 Buena Road, Buena, WA. Call 509/ 865-3097.
- 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

Work continues on updating state's fish consumption rates

Ecology continues to meet with interested parties about our work to update Washington's fish consumption rates. The state's fish consumption rates are important because they inform regulatory standards about how clean our state's waters and sediments must be.

The current fish consumption rates, developed in the 1980s and 1990s, are not accurate. New rates will protect people who eat a lot of fish and shellfish. These people are most at risk.

More information is available at www.ecy.wa.gov/toxics/fish.html.

Ecology invites comments on proposed underground tank rule

Ecology currently is seeking public comments on proposed changes to the state's rule for preventing leaks from underground storage tanks.

The Legislature has directed Ecology to revise the current rule to include some recent changes in state and federal laws, and to improve compliance with the rule. Leaks from underground storage tanks (UST) can contaminate groundwater, the source of drinking water for 60 percent of Washington's residents.

Ecology will accept comments through May 4, 2012. Comments also will be accepted during public hearings in April.

The state's compliance program addresses the serious threat posed to human health and the environment by leaking underground storage tank systems containing petroleum and other hazardous substances. Ecology currently regulates more than 9,500 systems at more than 3,600 facilities throughout the state. A majority of UST systems are located at gas stations. Others are owned and operated by other businesses and by local, state and federal governments.

Each year, about 50 new releases are confirmed at regulated UST facilities. The rule changes will help to reduce the number and severity of such releases. The changes include:

- Authorizing Ecology to stop regulated substances from being delivered to UST systems that don't comply with regulatory requirements.
- Requiring training for people who operate and maintain UST systems.
- Requiring secondary containment of tanks and pipes, and containment under dispenser systems.

More information is available at <http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/tcp/regs/ust/2012/rule-making.html>.

Here's the schedule of public hearings:

- April 24: 1:30 p.m. at Ecology's Eastern Regional Office, 4601 N. Monroe St., Spokane.
- April 25: 1:30 p.m. at Ecology's Central Regional Office, 15 W. Yakima Ave., Yakima.
- April 26: 1:30 p.m. at Ecology's Northwest Regional Office, 3190 160th Ave. SE, Bellevue.
- April 27: 1:30 p.m. at Ecology's headquarters, 300 Desmond Drive SE, Lacey.

You can submit comments through May 4 by mailing them to Michael Feldcamp, Washington Department of Ecology, Toxics Cleanup Program, P.O. Box 47600, Olympia, WA 98504-7600.

You also may send email to USTrule@ecy.wa.gov.

SITE HAZARD ASSESSMENTS (PLANNED)

FRANKLIN COUNTY

Massey Ferguson Property
815 North Oregon Street, Pasco

Facility Site ID# 74849983

CSID# 10388

Contact:

Jim Coleman
Benton-Franklin Health District
509/ 460-4319
jamesc@bfhd.wa.gov

PEND OREILLE COUNTY

Dumont Mine
8 miles north of Metaline Falls

Facility Site ID# 9262883

CSID# 1487

Contact:

Bryan Hunt
Northeast Tri-County Health District
509/ 684-2262
bhunt@trichd.org

STEVENS COUNTY

J&P's Service
Highway 231, Valley

Facility Site ID# 23435853

CSID# 8375

Contact:

Bryan Hunt
Northeast Tri-County Health District
509/ 684-2262
bhunt@trichd.org

McNally Mine
5 miles west of Northport

Facility Site ID# 5612248

CSID# 1091

Contact:

Bryan Hunt
Northeast Tri-County Health District
509/ 684-2262
bhunt@trichd.org

VOLUNTARY CLEANUP PROGRAM

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

VCP CONTACTS

Central Regional Office VCP Contact: Frosti Smith, e-mail Frosti.Smith@ecy.wa.gov or call 509/ 454-7841
Eastern Regional Office VCP Contact: Patti Carter, e-mail: Patti.Carter@ecy.wa.gov or call 509/ 329-3522
Northwest Regional Office VCP Contact: Donna Musa e-mail Donna.Musa@ecy.wa.gov or call 425/ 649-7136
Southwest Regional Office VCP Contact: Kim Cross, e-mail Kim.Cross@ecy.wa.gov or call 360/ 407-6240

INDEPENDENT CLEANUPS

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

INDEPENDENT CLEANUP CONTACTS

Central Regional Office Contact: e-mail Roger.Johnson@ecy.wa.gov or call 509/ 575-2490

Eastern Regional Office Contact: Doug Ladwig, 509/ 329-3440 or e-mail Doug.Ladwig@ecy.wa.gov

Northwest Regional Office Contact: Donna Musa, 425/ 649-7136 or e-mail Donna.Musa@ecy.wa.gov

Southwest Regional Office Contact: Kim Cross, 360/ 407-6240 or e-mail Kim.Cross@ecy.wa.gov

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

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 <http://apps.ecy.wa.gov/pubcalendar/calendar.asp>

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Yakima, WA 98902-3452

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Spokane, WA 99205-1295

Ecology Northwest Regional Office
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