

Ecology Proposes to Remove Site from Hazardous Sites List

The Northwest Pipeline Mead Meter Station site is located at 9180 North Market Street in Spokane, Spokane County, Washington (see Figure 1). The site is a natural gas meter station where gas is regulated and metered for distribution of natural gas to a local distribution company or customer.

An assessment of the site was conducted in 1990. Five drums of gravel and soil were removed from under and around the former meter stand to address inorganic mercury contamination. The main source of the contamination was likely from accidental spills during maintenance and calibration of equipment used at the meter station. Another source may have been from thermowells used to measure gas temperatures

In 2008, additional assessments were conducted to determine if mercury and arsenic were present in soils. The level of mercury and arsenic in soil exceeded state standards, therefore cleanup was necessary. Additional soils were removed from the site in 2011, and follow-up sampling indicates no further actions are required at this site to meet state cleanup standards.

Ecology's Voluntary Cleanup Program provided review of the cleanup actions at the site. As a result of the completed work, Ecology plans to remove the site from the Hazardous Sites List, after public comment is received and considered.

Ecology Invites Your Comments

- **Review** the associated site documents at one of the locations in the box on the right.
- **Send** your comments to Patti Carter at the Ecology address in the box at the right. Comments will be accepted **March 15, through April 15, 2013** for consideration.

Hazardous Sites List

The Hazardous Sites List is a record of contaminated sites throughout the state that are ranked on a scale of one to five. One represents the greatest potential threat to human health and the environment; five represents the least potential threat. The Northwest Pipeline Mead site ranked a three because of the contaminated soil at the site. A site may be removed from the Hazardous Sites List after cleanup work is completed and it meets Ecology's criteria.

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March 15 through April 15, 2013

ADA accommodations or documents in an alternate format, call Carol Bergin 509/329-3546 (voice), 711 (relay service), or 877-833-6341(TTY).

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Ecology's Website

<https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/gsp/Sitepage.aspx?csid=1811>

Facility Site ID No. 680**Cleanup Site ID No.** 1811

Ecology proposes to remove this site based upon the following information:

- Review of the cleanup reports and supporting documentation.
- State standards for cleanup of the contaminants in soil have been sufficiently achieved at the site.
- No further action is needed at the site.

What Happens Next?

After the 30-day comment period, Ecology will review and respond to the public comments received about the removal of the site from the Hazardous Sites List. The site will be removed from the Hazardous Sites List if no significant changes are made. The list is published twice per year. The removal will be reflected in the August 2013 edition of the Site Register which is a special edition called the "Hazardous Sites List."

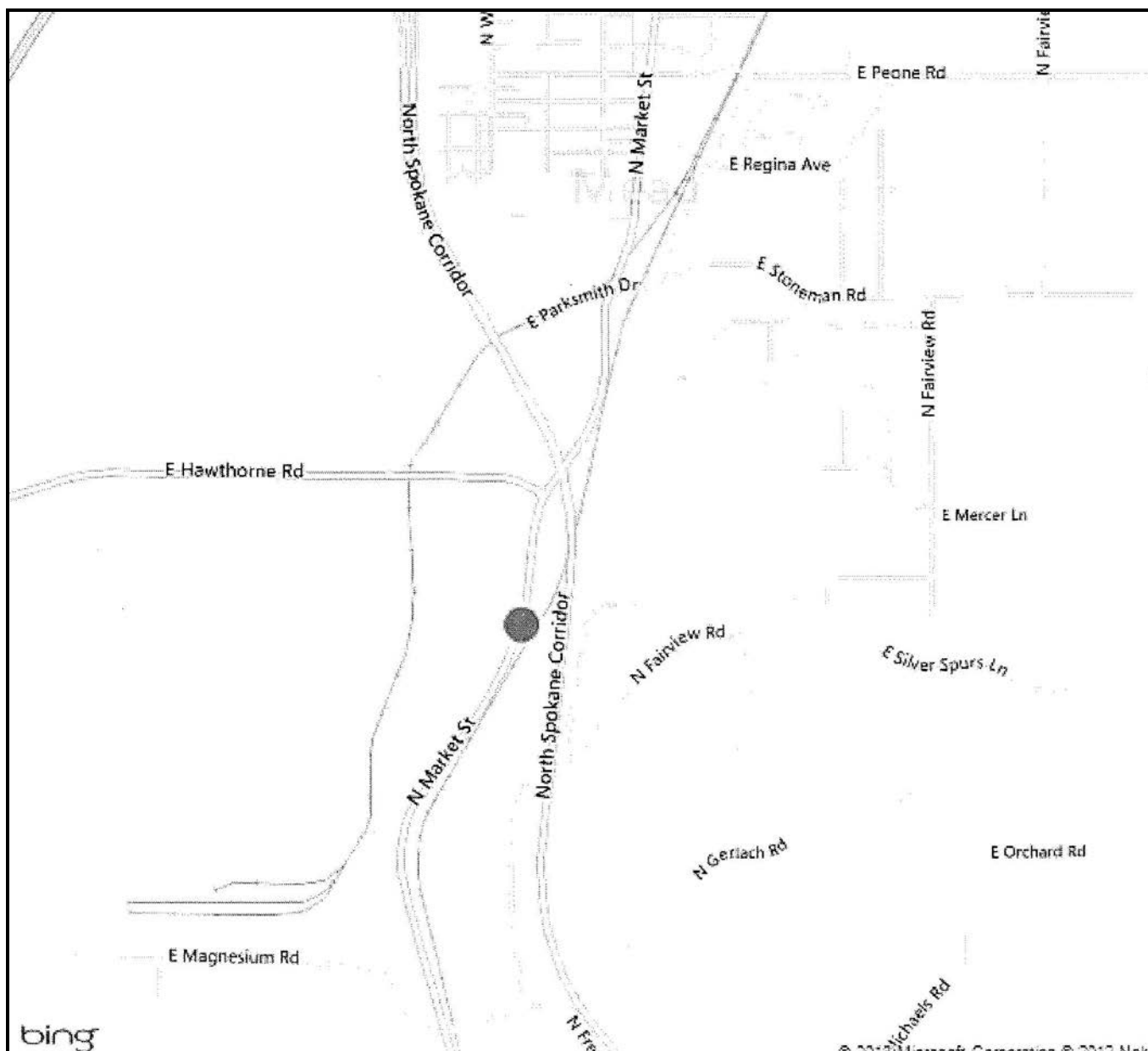


Figure 1 - Northwest Pipeline Mead Meter Station Site (the black dot is the approximate location)
9801 N Market Street, Spokane, Spokane County, Washington