

Cleanup Plan Available for Public Review and Comment

The Department of Ecology (Ecology) is cleaning up the Phillips Residential Property site at 6719 South D St. in Tacoma. The property owner used to melt scrap lead to make fishing weights. Fumes from this process spread lead across the property.

Ecology Wants Your Comments

Ecology is accepting comments on a cleanup plan for the site until **May 24, 2013**. The box to the right shows where to find the cleanup plan and how to submit comments.

Why does it matter?

Lead is a toxic metal that poses a risk to anyone living in the home or using the yard. In children, lead can delay development and learning. It can also lead to anemia, high blood pressure, and other health issues in adults.

Site Background

In 2008, Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department closed the home because of the health risk from the lead. Ecology and the health department sampled soils at the site and in neighboring yards. Based on the results, we decided only the yard at 6719 South D St. needed cleanup. The other yards were not impacted.

Funding for cleanup: As the property owner has been unable to complete the cleanup, Ecology will use state funds to do the work. We then plan to recover the costs from the property owner.

Cleanup Process: Ecology will remove 18-24 inches of soil across a large area of the yard. The soil will go to a landfill for proper disposal. We will take soil samples and dig deeper, if needed. Then, we will bring in clean soil and seed a new lawn.

What Happens Next

Ecology must finish the work by June 30, when funding expires. To meet this schedule, cleanup could begin in May, before the end of the comment period. We will respond to public comments when we receive them, to address your questions and concerns.

Comments Accepted

April 25 – May 24, 2013

Send Comments and Technical Questions to:

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**WA Department of Ecology
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Ecology's Toxics Cleanup Website
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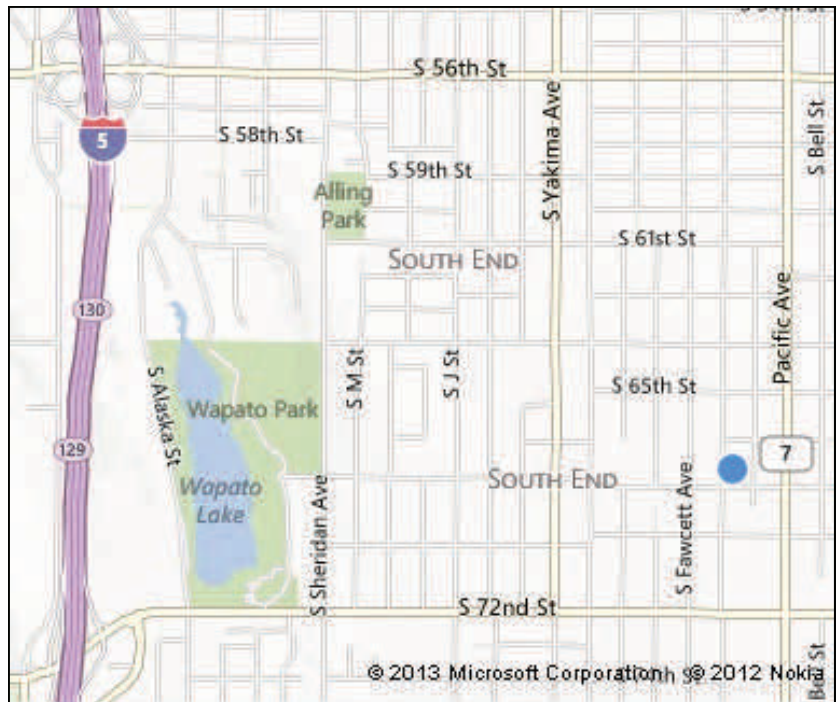
**Ecology seeks public comment on a
cleanup plan for lead contamination**

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