

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

Ecology is asking for your comments on the Periodic Review for the Weyerhaeuser Everett West Site (Site) and proposed removal of this Site from the state's Hazardous Sites List. The Site is located at 101 East Marine View Drive, Everett, Washington 98201. The Site is within, but unrelated to, the Lowland area of the Everett Smelter Site.

Ecology has performed a periodic review of the Site and focused on the groundwater monitoring results. Based on the Site review and groundwater monitoring results, Ecology has determined the Site meets cleanup standards. This Site has completed cleanup, and it no longer represents a threat to human health or the environment. Ecology proposes to remove this Site from the state's Hazardous Sites List.

You are invited to:

- **Review** the Periodic Review.
- **Send** your written comments to David L. South from March 6 – April 6, 2015. See the box at the right for details about where to review documents and submit comments.

Why do a Periodic Review

In October 1994, Ecology entered into a legal agreement called a Consent Decree with Weyerhaeuser Company to clean up this Site. The agreement requires that at least every five years Ecology will review this Site to confirm cleanup has been completed and to ensure human health and the environment are protected.

Comments Accepted

March 6 – April 6, 2015

Submit Comments to:

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Document Review Locations

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Washington State Department of Ecology – Northwest Regional Office

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By appointment only:

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Ecology's Toxics Cleanup Website

[https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/gsp/
Sitepage.aspx?csid=2902](https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/gsp/Sitepage.aspx?csid=2902)

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What is a Periodic Review?

A Periodic Review is conducted at least every five years after the initiation of a cleanup action, as required by the Model Toxics Control Act (MCTA). The purpose of the review is to evaluate site conditions and monitoring data, after cleanup is considered complete, to confirm that cleanup standards were achieved and have been maintained. The Periodic Review is to ensure protection of human health and the environment.

Results of the Periodic Review

The periodic review found that the cleanup actions conducted at the site are protective of human health and the environment. Soil contamination remaining on site is contained. Environmental covenants are in place to provide for maintenance of the integrity of the containment.

Groundwater monitoring conducted at the Site has demonstrated that groundwater meets cleanup levels at the property boundary, which is the point of compliance for this Site. Groundwater sampling will no longer be performed.

Environmental Covenant

An Environmental Covenant is in place and continues to be effective in protecting public health and the environment from exposure to hazardous substances remaining on Site and in protecting the integrity of the cleanup action. The Covenant prohibits groundwater withdrawal from the Site for domestic purposes, residential development, and activities that may interfere with the cleanup. It requires notice to Ecology of the owner's intent to convey any interest in the Site and provides that any property transfer must provide continued operation, maintenance, and monitoring of the cleanup action. Ecology approval is required for any use of the Site that is inconsistent with the terms of the Covenant. It provides that the property owner shall allow authorized representatives of Ecology entry into the site at reasonable times for inspections and sampling. The Environmental Covenant is available on the Weyerhaeuser Everett West web site under Group Legal.

Proposed Removal from the Hazardous Sites List

Ecology is proposing to remove the Weyerhaeuser Everett West Site from the Hazardous Sites List. It meets the requirements for removal listed in the Model Toxics Control Act Cleanup Regulation. See WAC 173-340-330(7) Construction and operation of cleanup actions is complete and only passive maintenance activities remain. Performance monitoring is complete and confirmational monitoring has demonstrated that the cleanup actions have effectively contained the hazardous substances at the Site. The required Environmental Covenants are in place and have been demonstrated to be effective. Written documentation is present in department files that describes what hazardous substances have been left on site, where they are

located, and the long-term monitoring and maintenance obligations at the Site.

Site Background

The Weyerhaeuser Everett West Site consists of approximately 35 acres of land located in north Everett on the south side of the Snohomish river. It is part of a former large wood products complex operated by Weyerhaeuser from 1914 until the mid-1980s. Operations at Weyerhaeuser Everett West included Mill C, Mill D, and a Kraft Pulp Mill. Mill C manufactured wood boards and operated from 1926 to 1976. Mill D also manufactured wood boards and operated from 1963 to 1971. The Kraft Pulp Mill operated from 1953 to 1992.

Site investigations found polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), chromium, mercury, ethylbenzene, xylenes, and petroleum contamination in soil and petroleum and arsenic contamination in groundwater in selected areas of the Site. More highly contaminated soil was excavated and sent to a permitted landfill. Less contaminated soil was contained on Site. Groundwater was monitored until natural attenuation had reduced arsenic and petroleum concentrations to below cleanup levels at the point of compliance.

Why This Matters?

Removal from the Hazardous Sites List represents a significant milestone in the cleanup process. It means all contamination has been addressed in a manner that protects human health and the environment. No further cleanup actions are anticipated to be needed so long as the Environmental Covenants are followed. Ecology will perform a Periodic Review at least every five years to assess whether the Environmental Covenants are being followed.


What Happens Next?

Once the public comment period ends, Ecology will review and consider all comments that have been received. If no significant changes are necessary, then this Site will be removed from the state's Hazardous Sites List.



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