

Reynolds Metals Cleanup

Comment opportunity

The Department of Ecology (Ecology) invites you to comment on three actions for the cleanup of the former Reynolds Metals aluminum smelter near Longview, Washington:

- Draft Cleanup Action Plan (CAP) – describes the cleanup methods (how the cleanup will take place) and the standards that the cleanup must achieve.
- Draft Consent Decree (CD) – the legal agreement requiring cleanup to take place as stated in the CAP.
- State Environmental Protection Act (SEPA) determination – based on the possible environmental impacts that may result because of the cleanup.

This comment period is not an opportunity to comment on the coal terminal proposal that includes this property. Visit <http://www.ecy.wa.gov/geographic/millennium/index.html> for more information on the public process related to that proposal.

Commenting and events

We will accept comments by mail, e-mail or fax, and at public events January 19 – March 18, 2016.

Ecology will be available to answer questions about these proposed actions during an open house:

- February 2, 2016
- Cowlitz County PUD Auditorium, 961 12th Ave in Longview
- From 6 – 8 p.m.

We'll hold another open house, followed by a presentation and public hearing to accept verbal comments on the proposed actions:

- March 9, 2016
- Red Lion Hotel, 510 Kelso Drive in Kelso
- The open house begins at 4:30 p.m. The presentation, followed by a hearing to accept oral comments, begins at 6:30 p.m.

Dates and Locations

Comment period:

January 19 – March 18, 2016

Read the proposed actions at:

Longview Public Library
1600 Louisiana Street
Longview, WA 98632

Dept of Ecology
300 Desmond Dr SE
Lacey, WA 98503

Online:

<https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/gsp/Sitepage.aspx?csid=11796>

Send written comments:

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Next steps

When the comment period ends, Ecology will review and consider all comments received before making final decisions on the CAP and CD.

Once the CAP and CD are finalized, Northwest Alloys (NWA) and Millennium Bulk Terminals, Longview (MBTL) will work to complete the cleanup.

Facility information

Reynolds Metals built and operated an aluminum smelter and cable mill on the Columbia River in Longview from 1941-2000. Contamination on the site includes:

- Elevated levels of fluoride, polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) and total petroleum hydrocarbons (TPHs) in the soil.
- Fluoride and PAHs in the groundwater.
- PAHs in Columbia River sediment near Outfall 002A.

Ecology is working with NWA and MBTL to clean up the site.

