

Phillips 66 Ferndale Refinery



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2125 Main Street
Ferndale, Washington

Bellingham Public Library
210 Central Avenue
Bellingham, Washington

<https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/industrial/UIPermit/DraftPermits.aspx>

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Comment period: March 15 - April 14, 2017

We invite you to comment on the draft modification to the Phillips 66 Ferndale oil refinery's wastewater (National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System) permit. We will accept comments only on the changes, not the entire permit.

Changes to the permit

Proposed changes to the permit are for groundwater monitoring of the wastewater ponds. Major changes include:

- Reducing the frequency of sampling from quarterly to semi-annually.
- Removing monitoring for benzo(a)pyrene.

More information on changes is available in the permit's Supplemental Fact Sheet.

Commenting

Effective comments tell us if we correctly applied current water quality laws, rules and regulations. They:

- Relate to the potential impacts to water quality from this action. Where possible, describe the state or federal laws, rules, and regulations you think have not been applied correctly.
- Are focused. Refer to the conditions and requirements in the permit.
- Are specific. Tell us what your concern is and how you think the modification to the permit should change.

Special accommodations

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When the comment period ends, we will review all comments received and make appropriate changes before finalizing the documents.

You may request a hearing to ask questions and submit verbal comments. To request a hearing, contact:

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If we determine there is significant public interest during this comment period to hold a hearing, we will extend the comment period to allow at least 30 days notice of the hearing and publish the time, date and location.

Phillips 66 Oil Refinery

Located at 3901 Unick Road in Ferndale, Washington, the refinery separates crude oil for further processing and blending into a variety of petroleum products.

Wastewater from the process and contaminated stormwater goes through treatment. Once treated, it is sent to the Strait of Georgia.

Noncontaminated stormwater from the refinery is sent to several locations.

- Lummi Bay
- The Strait of Georgia
- A wooded area that feeds wetlands before going to the Slater Road Ditch.

