

Boise Cascade Yakima Mill Site



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Comments accepted:

January 18, 2017 to
February 17, 2017

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Agreed Order Available for Review and Comment

The Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) is providing an opportunity for the public to comment on the Agreed Order for the completion of a Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study, and to prepare a Draft Cleanup Action Plan for the site identified by Ecology as the “Boise Cascade Mill” located at 805 North 7th Street, Yakima, WA 98901. The Site is also known as the Yakima Mill Site.

Public Comment Invited

Ecology is asking for your comments on the Agreed Order. You are invited to:

- Review the *Agreed Order*
- Send your comments to Ecology for consideration. Comments will be accepted January 18, 2017 through February 17, 2017

Site background

The Yakima Mill Site was formerly used as a lumber mill and log yard at various times between 1903 and 2010. Contamination has been documented in certain locations at the Site. Environmental Investigations that were conducted in 2008 and 2013, identified petroleum contamination in soil above state cleanup levels at a number of locations on the property. These investigations also documented elevated methane concentrations in soil on the property. Groundwater monitoring has shown concentrations of manganese, iron, arsenic, and petroleum products above Ecology screening levels in shallow groundwater at a number of locations under the property. Given the historical use of the property, there may be other environmental impacts. A former municipal solid waste landfill is also located on the property previously occupied by the Yakima Mill. The for-



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mer landfill is known as the "Interstate 82 Exit 33A Site," and is being addressed by a separate order.

Initial work at the Site will focus on completing a remedial investigation and a feasibility study (RI/FS). The remedial investigation will look at the type, amount, location and sources of contamination at the site. The feasibility study will look at a range of remedial cleanup options for the contamination, making sure that threats to human health and the environment are reduced or eliminated in accordance with Washington's Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA).

After the RI/FS is finalized, a draft Cleanup Action Plan (dCAP) will be prepared. The dCAP will identify the remedial cleanup option selected by Ecology.

Why This Investigation Matters?

Dissolved metals (arsenic, iron, manganese) and petroleum products are present in groundwater above MTCA screening levels. Petroleum products are also present in soils at levels exceeding state standards for protection of human health and the environment. Cleanup will improve soil and groundwater conditions at the Site and reduces exposure to contaminants. Cleanup will provide greater opportunity for redevelopment of the Site, which may provide economic benefit to the community.

What Happens Next?

After the public comment period ends, Ecology will review and respond to any comments received during the comment period.

For information about other opportunities for public involvement such as meetings, hearings, open houses and workshops, please visit Ecology's Public Involvement Calendar at <https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/publiccalendar/>

While you are at the calendar page, you may click on the link Frequently Asked Questions about Effective Public Commenting and learn more about the public comment process.

