

# Industrial Petroleum Distributors Site – East Side

## Proposed removal from the Hazardous Sites List

### Contamination cleaned up:

Petroleum hydrocarbons

### Party responsible for cleanup:

Atlantic Richfield Corporation

### Comments accepted:

December 23, 2019 –  
January 23, 2020

### How to comment:

Online at:

[http://tcp.ecology.commenting  
ut.com/?id=upfRk](http://tcp.ecology.commenting.ut.com/?id=upfRk)

Or by mail to:

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### Site info:

Facility Site ID: 1436  
Site Cleanup ID: 4240

### Website:

[https://apps.ecology.wa.gov/gsp/  
/Sitepage.aspx?csid=4240](https://apps.ecology.wa.gov/gsp/Sitepage.aspx?csid=4240)

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### Site-at-a-glance

The east side of the Industrial Petroleum Distributors cleanup site is located at 1120 West Bay Drive in Olympia. You are receiving information about this site because you live or own property nearby.

Figure 1 shows the entire site which includes areas west of West Bay Drive (upland) and east of West Bay Drive (waterfront). The west side of the site was cleaned up between 2002 and 2003.

Soil and groundwater on the east side of the site were contaminated with [petroleum hydrocarbons](#). In 2016, Atlantic Richfield Corporation (ARCO) completed the cleanup work. The Department of Ecology (Ecology) has reviewed the cleanup activity and determined:

- The site is no longer a threat to human health or the environment.
- The cleanup actions meet state cleanup standards.

Ecology is proposing to remove the east side of the site from the Hazardous Sites List.

### Public comment

The Department of Ecology invites your comment about the proposed removal of the east side of the Industrial Petroleum Distributors site from the Hazardous Sites List.

In addition to this fact sheet, you can review other site documents on the [website](#) and submit comments for consideration by Ecology's cleanup project manager.

**The public comment period begins on December 23, 2019 and ends on January 23, 2020.** The box to the left shows where you can review documents and how to submit comments.

After the comment period ends, Ecology will respond to comments in a responsiveness summary. Ecology may require further action based on information given by the public. Otherwise, the site will be removed from the Hazardous Sites List after the comment period ends.

### Background

ARCO developed the site as bulk storage in the early 1950's and used it through the late 1980's. The facility had eight above-ground storage tanks on the west part of the site. A pipeline, that extended 400 feet into Budd Inlet, started from the east part of the site and carried fuel from barges to the tanks. In 1977 ARCO sold the property. The new owners leased it and later sold it to Industrial Petroleum Distributors. Waste oil was stored there until the early 1990s.

## Why am I receiving information about this site?

You are receiving information about the site because you own property or reside nearby or have expressed interest about the cleanup.

## What is a site?

A site is defined by the extent of contamination caused by a release of a hazardous substance.

## What is Washington’s Cleanup Law?

The Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA) defines the cleanup process. This public-initiated environmental law directs upland (on land or in groundwater) and sediment cleanups (in freshwater or marine environments). Ecology enacts MTCA and regulates the cleanup process.

## What is the Hazardous Sites List?

The Hazardous Sites List is a list of sites that have been assessed and ranked by the Department of Ecology. Ranking is based on other similarly assessed and ranked sites in the state. Sites are ranked on a scale of one to five with one representing the highest level of concern and five the lowest.

## Where can I find more information about cleanup sites in my neighborhood?

Go to What’s in my Neighborhood on the Ecology website:

<https://apps.ecology.wa.gov/neighborhood/>

## Contamination

Leaks and spills from the pipeline and tanks polluted soil and/or groundwater with petroleum hydrocarbons (gasoline, diesel, and heavy oil), naphthalenes, carcinogenic polyaromatic hydrocarbons, and lead.

In 1998, Thurston County Health Department confirmed soil at the site was contaminated with diesel and heavy oil. They ranked the site as a 1, with 1 being the highest level of concern. Ecology placed the site on the Hazardous Sites List.

## Cleanup history

Figure 2 shows the cleanup timeline for both the east and west sides of the Industrial Petroleum Distributors site.

In 1999, the above ground storage tanks were removed. In 2002-2003, the west part of the site was further cleaned up under Ecology’s Voluntary Cleanup Program by removing buildings, concrete tank pads, and petroleum contaminated soil. Ecology issued an opinion letter stating that no further cleanup was needed for this portion of the site. However, the east side of the site needed more cleanup.

In 2013, the Washington State Department of Natural Resources took out the pilings from the abandoned pier as part of a creosote piling removal project.

In 2014, Ecology entered into a legal agreement (Agreed Order No. DE 10470) with ARCO requiring them to carry out the cleanup plan for the east part of the site. In 2016, ARCO completed the work which included the removal of:

- 944 tons of petroleum contaminated soil.
- 24,354 gallons of wastewater collected during excavation.

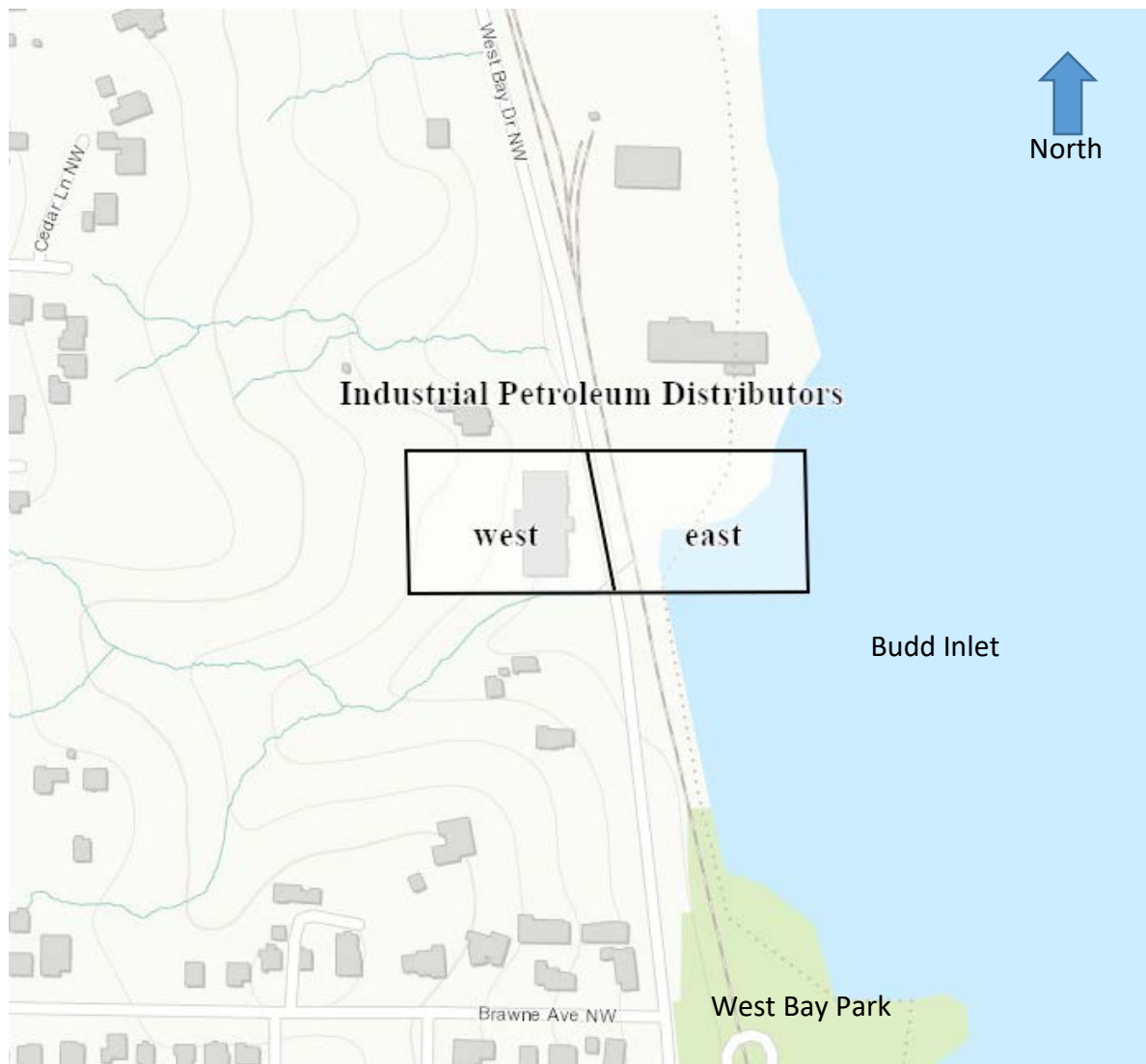
The excavation was backfilled with approximately 1,972 tons of clean material and the area regraded. Groundwater monitoring continued after the excavation and confirmed that the cleanup was effective.

Decades of industrial, municipal, and naturally occurring pollution have damaged the quality and ecology of Puget Sound. In 2007, Governor Gregoire and the Washington State Legislature approved the Puget Sound Initiative to protect and restore the health of the sound by 2020. This cleanup helps that goal.

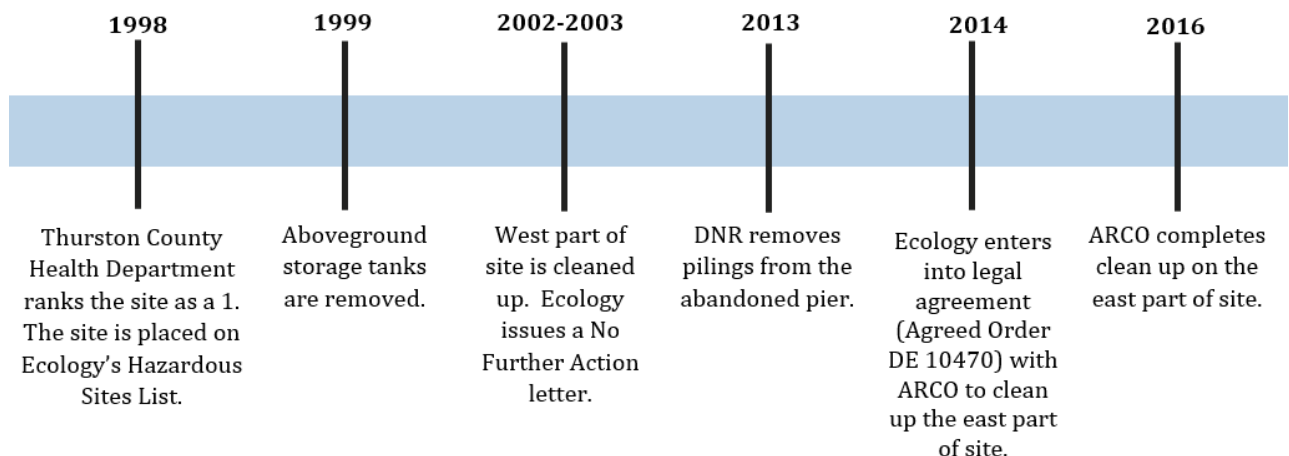


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**Figure 1. Industrial Petroleum Distributors – east and west parts of the site**

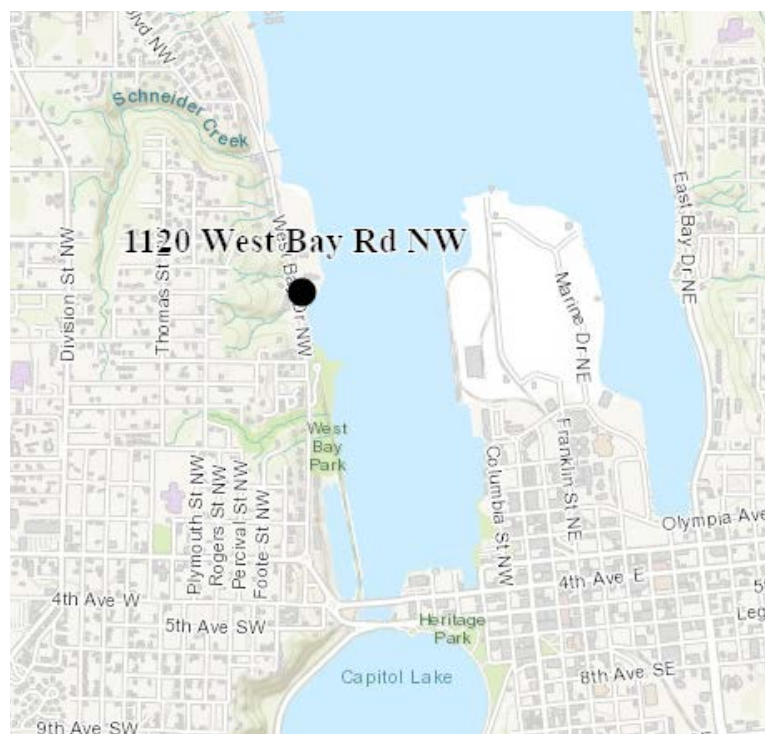


**Figure 2. Cleanup timeline of east and west parts of the site**





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### **Industrial Petroleum Distributors site**

#### **Public comment period**

December 23, 2019 – January 23, 2020

#### **Why did I receive this mailing?**

The Washington Department of Ecology is proposing to remove the Industrial Petroleum Distributors site from the Hazardous Sites List. This fact sheet is being mailed to inform the community about this action and to provide an opportunity for public comment.

#### **What can I do?**

Please review the site documents and submit your comments, questions, and concerns.

To be removed from this mailing list, please call Sheila Coughlan at (360) 407-6255 or email [Sheila.Coughlan@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:Sheila.Coughlan@ecy.wa.gov).

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