

Site Register



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For more information

- [Sign up to get the Site Register by email](#)¹
- Find [past issues of the Site Register](#)²
- Visit our [Public Involvement Calendar](#)³

Questions? Contact Sarah Kellington at: 360-280-3167 or sarah.kellington@ecy.wa.gov.

Site contacts can be found in each entry.

ADA Notice

To request Americans with Disabilities Act accommodation, including materials in a format for the visually impaired, please call 360-407-7170 or visit [Ecology's Accessibility webpage](#).⁴ Persons with impaired hearing may call Washington Relay Service at 711. Persons with a speech disability may call 877-833-6341.

News & Notes

Ecology buildings are open to the public

Visitors to Ecology buildings no longer need an appointment. However, we still recommend making an appointment in advance so that the right staff person will be available.

- Visitors must complete an [online health screening](#)⁵ before entering.
- **Public meetings will remain online-only** until further notice. Visit our [public input and events listings](#)⁶ for information on public meetings.
- All documents for public review and comment are available online. Under **For more information** in the left-hand column of each Site Register entry, there is a link to visit the site's webpage. Documents are at the bottom of the page.

Updated vapor intrusion guidance now available

We have updated our [Vapor Intrusion \(VI\) Guidance](#)⁷. Vapor intrusion can pose a threat to people's health, and this guidance provides a practical approach for assessing when volatile chemicals in the subsurface might threaten indoor air quality.

The 2022 revision incorporates policy and technical changes that occurred since we first published the guidance in October 2009. It also contains information from four VI Implementation Memos that we've issued over the past five years. We updated three of the memos and included them as Appendices in the new guidance. We incorporated the fourth one — a series of frequently asked questions — directly into the text of the document.

If you have any comments about the content, please contact

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We intend to review feedback over the next six to eight months and see if portions of the guidance need to be revised or clarified.

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Updated Contaminated Property Considerations in Real Estate Transactions publication now available

For more information

Contact Eileen Webb
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We've updated [Contaminated Property Considerations: Focus on Real Estate Transactions](#)^{viii} (Publication 22-09-021), which replaces [Publication F-TCP-92-115](#)^{ix}. This publication is for anyone involved in real estate transactions: buyers and sellers, real estate brokers and agents, appraisers, lenders, attorneys, consultants, and developers. It identifies common concerns about contamination liability as it relates to property transactions and outlines investigative techniques for assessing the potential for property contamination.

The update adds references to ASTM standards (in particular E1527), clarifies that due diligence should be done by a professional, and incorporates many links to helpful online resources, including the contaminated site lists and underground storage tank database available onTCP's [Cleanup and Tank Search](#)^x.

Formal Cleanups

We oversee complex cleanup sites to protect your health and the environment.

ADAMS COUNTY

Burlington Northern Othello

Broadway & Main St., Othello

Facility Site ID# **558**

Cleanup Site ID# **1909**

[Submit comments online](#)¹¹

Or mail comments to:

Ted Uecker
Site Manager
4601 N. Monroe St.
Spokane, WA 99205

For more information

- Visit Ecology's [Burlington Northern Othello webpage](#)¹²
- Contact Ted Uecker
Site Manager
ted.uecker@ecy.wa.gov
509-342-5564

Document review locations

Ecology's Eastern Regional Office
4601 N. Monroe St., Spokane
Please call 509-329-3415 to make an appointment.

April 18–May 17, 2022: Draft fourth Periodic Review Report available for review and comment

Ecology invites you to review and comment on the [fourth periodic review](#)¹³ for this site. We complete a periodic review at least every 5 years after cleanup construction is complete at a site when institutional controls are part of the cleanup. The purpose of the review is to evaluate site conditions to ensure people and the environment are protected.

Next steps

Ecology will review all comments received during the comment period and update the periodic review if needed. If no significant changes are made, the periodic review will become final. If significant changes are made, an additional public comment period will be held. We will hold an online public meeting if 10 or more people request one.

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CLARK & COWLITZ COUNTIES

Fuel Processors, Inc

701 Bozarth Avenue, Woodland

Facility Site ID# **810**

Cleanup Site ID# **76**

[Submit comments online](#)¹⁴

Or mail comments to:

Kaia Petersen
Site manager
PO Box 47775
Olympia, WA 98504

For more information

- Visit Ecology's [Fuel Processors Inc webpage](#)¹⁵
- Contact Sheila Coughlan
Public involvement coordinator
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360-480-7127

Places to view print documents

- Woodland Community Library
770 Park Street, Woodland

March 28–April 26: Remedial investigation available for review and comment

We invite you to review the remedial investigation report and a public participation plan for this site. The Remedial Investigation report describes the type of contamination and where it's located. The Public Participation Plan describes how Ecology will inform the community about cleanup at the site.

Fuel Processors, Oil Re-Refining Co, and Shell Oil Company are responsible for cleaning up the Fuel Processors site. Their past practices resulted in the release of petroleum products and solvents that contaminated soil and groundwater. The contamination is mostly limited to the property.

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KING COUNTY

Jorgensen Forge Corp

8531 E Marginal Way S, Tukwila

Facility Site ID# **2382**

Cleanup Site ID# **3689**

[Submit comments online](#)^{xvi}

Or mail comments to:

Maureen Sanchez
Site Manager
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For more information

- Visit Ecology's [Jorgensen Forge Corp webpage](#)^{xvii}
- Contact Maureen Sanchez
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425-240-0454

Document review locations

- Ecology NW Regional Office
15700 Dayton Ave N
Shoreline
Call 206-594-0000 for appointment
- Seattle Public Library,
South Park
8604 8th Ave.
South Seattle
206-615-1688

March 14–April 26:

Comment period extended on draft cleanup documents

Ecology is inviting public comment on the following documents for this site:

- **Agreed Order:** requires the potentially liable person (PLP) to complete a Remedial Investigation, Feasibility Study, and draft Cleanup Action Plan.
- **Interim Action Work Plan:** describes how the PLP will remove underground storage tanks (USTs), contaminated pavement, and contaminated soil at the site so parts of the facility's structures can be closed and demolished.
- **Public Participation Plan:** explains how people can participate in the cleanup process.

This site is on the eastern shore of the Lower Duwamish Waterway. It was used to manufacture structural steel, tractor and road equipment, and large-scale metal parts for the aircraft and marine industries. Processes included melting, forging, tempering and machining various metals including steel, aluminum, titanium, specialty metals, and specialized alloys. Investigations found the Polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), petroleum, and metals in the soil and groundwater at levels that must be addressed under Washington's cleanup law.

Manufacturing has ended, and Star Forge wants to finish demolition of the site. The current Interim Action requires Star Forge to do the following:

- Remove Underground Storage Tanks and their structures and equipment, and conduct tests required by the UST regulation (WAC 173-360A).
- Decontaminate and potentially remove concrete and asphalt slabs at the site's Dangerous Waste Management Units or DWMUs to comply with the Dangerous Waste regulation (WAC 173-303).
- Remove soil necessary to facilitate paving. Excavated soil cannot be re-used at the site. In addition, samples must be collected below removed areas to characterize remaining soil conditions.

Online Public Meeting – April 21, 2022

- 6:00 – approximately 6:15 pm presentation
- 6:15 pm question / answer time as needed

Registration is required. Visit our Jorgensen Forge webpage (left) for registration and login details.

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KITTITAS COUNTY

Smith Kem Ellensburg Inc

200 S Railroad Ave, Ellensburg

Facility Site ID# **12832256**

Cleanup Site ID# **4257**

For more information

- Visit Ecology's [Smith Kem Ellensburg Inc webpage](#)¹⁸
- Contact John Mefford
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509-731-9613

Negotiations for a consent decree

Ecology and the PLPs for the site are negotiating a consent decree to conduct a cleanup action plan at the Smith Kem Ellensburg site. Negotiations began on April 12, 2022, and is expected to end by July 12, 2022. The site has petroleum, metals, and pesticide contamination in soil and groundwater.

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WHATCOM COUNTY

Recomp of Washington

1524 Slater Rd, Ferndale, Ferndale

Facility Site ID# **76245362**

Cleanup Site ID# **378**

[Submit comments online](#)¹⁹

Or mail comments to:

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Shoreline, WA 98133

For more information

- Visit Ecology's [Recomp of Washington webpage](#)²⁰
- Contact Alan Noell
Site Manager
alan.noell@ecy.wa.gov
425-213-4803

Document review locations

- Ecology Northwest Regional Office
15700 Dayton Ave N., Shoreline
Call 206-594-0016 or email michael.hart@ecy.wa.gov for an appointment.
- Whatcom County Library System
- Ferndale Library
2125 Main St, Ferndale
360-384-3647

April 21–May 20, 2022: Recomp of Washington Periodic Review

Ecology invites you to review the Periodic Review report for this site. Ecology conducts periodic reviews every five years when some contamination remains on-site after cleanup. Periodic reviews evaluate current Site conditions to ensure continued protection of human health and the environment.

The 2022 Draft Periodic Review concluded:

- The cleanup action (i.e., landfill closure) completed at the site appears to be protective of human health and the environment.
- The landfill containment system includes native low-permeability soils beneath the landfill, a compacted clay cover above the landfill material, and a gravel cutoff trench and leachate collection pipe downgradient of the landfill. Additionally, a soil-bentonite slurry wall and paved surfaces between the landfill cover and the slurry wall divert groundwater and surface water away from the closed ash landfill.
- The Restrictive Covenant for the property continues to be effective in protecting human health and the environment from exposure to hazardous substances and protecting the integrity of the cleanup action.
- The Periodic Review distinguishes the Recomp of Washington site and the adjoining Wilder Landfill site, but the Periodic Review does not evaluate the Wilder Landfill site.

Ecology will review comments received during the comment period and modify the Periodic Review accordingly. An additional public comment period will be held if significant changes are made. The next review for the Site will be scheduled five years from the date of this periodic review.

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Independent Cleanups

Property owners may choose to clean up contamination independently and submit reports to Ecology.

KLICKITAT COUNTY

Klickitat County Courthouse

205 S Columbus Ave
Goldendale

Facility Site ID# **54928348**

Cleanup Site ID# **16585**

For more information

- Visit Ecology's [Klickitat County Courthouse webpage^{xxi}](#)
- Contact John Mefford
Site Manager
john.mefford@ecy.wa.gov
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Determination of no further action

A construction crew performing work at the Klickitat County courthouse discovered two unregistered underground storage tanks (USTs), estimated 200 gallons each, in the former parking area.

The USTs were removed, including associated petroleum-contaminated soils (PCS). Based on soil sampling results, the contaminants of concern included gasoline and its associated volatile organic compounds, diesel, and lead.

Due to the seasonal perched nature of the groundwater, it is unlikely that a groundwater sample could be collected quarterly from a shallow monitoring well. Consequently, the consultant collected a water sample along with a duplicate sample from a nearby irrigation well. Sample results did not show detectable results for the contaminants of concern.

After waste profiling, about 923 tons of soil of petroleum-contaminated soils were properly disposed of at a permitted landfill.

Based upon cleanup activities conducted at the site, we have determined the site is no longer a threat to human health and the environment. Ecology made a [no further action determination](#) in March 2022.



PIERCE COUNTY

Miranda Apartments

1306 and 1308 South 7th Street
Tacoma

Facility Site ID# **81939776**
Cleanup Site ID# **560**

[Submit comments online](#)²²

Or mail comments to:

Matt Fuller
Outreach Specialist
WA Department of Ecology
PO Box 47775
Olympia, WA 98504-7775

For more information

- Visit Ecology's [Miranda Apartments webpage](#)²³
- Contact Matt Fuller
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Document review locations

- Department of Ecology
Southwest Regional Office
300 Desmond Dr. SE, Lacey
*Call 360-407-6365 for
appointment*

March 24–April 24: Draft Third Periodic Review Report available for public comment

If contamination remains at a site after cleanup, we review the conditions at about every five years to make sure the cleanup action is still effective.

The periodic review report for this site shows that cleanup work remains effective in protecting human health and the environment. We may modify the report if new information is submitted during the comment period.

In 2001, owners of the Miranda Apartment site entered the voluntary cleanup program and closed an underground storage tank at the site. The tank had supplied heating oil to the apartment complex.

Samples from under the tank showed that some soil was contaminated with diesel-range petroleum hydrocarbons. Investigations also found that site groundwater was more than 100 feet below ground surface.

The tank and soils could not be removed without damaging nearby buildings or the public right-of-way. Instead, the site's owners filled the tank with concrete slurry and abandoned it in place.

Based on the levels of contamination, groundwater depth, and type of soil, remaining contamination is unlikely to pose a threat to groundwater. In 2002, the site's owners recorded an environmental covenant for the site. It prohibits activities that could result in the release of contaminants that remain at the site.

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Rite Aid #6232

12811 Meridian Avenue East
Puyallup

Facility Site ID# **75152667**

Cleanup Site ID# **4077**

[Submit comments online](#)²⁴

Or mail comments to:

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WA Department of Ecology
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Olympia, WA 98504-7775

For more information

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Document review locations

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If contamination remains at a site after cleanup, we review the conditions about every five years to make sure the cleanup action is still effective.

The periodic review for this site shows that cleanup work remains effective in protecting human health and the environment. We may modify the report if new information is submitted during the comment period.

Dynamite sticks were discovered at the site during the store's construction in 1998. The Pierce County Sheriff's Department detonated the dynamite with plastic explosives. Using diesel, the sheriff's department burned dynamite sticks that did not explode.

Explosive residue was deposited on soils around the site as a result of the explosion and burning. The site's owners entered the voluntary cleanup program and removed soil contaminated with dinitrotoluene (DNT) in 1998.

Following cleanup, some contaminated soil remained on the site. The contaminated soil was contained by an asphalt cap (parking lot) and stormwater retention vault. The parking lot and stormwater vault prevent human and surface water contact with the contamination.

In 1999, an environmental covenant was recorded for the site. The covenant prohibits activities that could result in the release of contaminants that remain at the site.

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YAKIMA COUNTY

Hahn Motor Company

1201 S 1st St, Yakima

Facility Site ID# **502**

Cleanup Site ID# **4927**

For more information

- Visit Ecology's [Hahn Motor Company webpage](#)²⁶
- Contact Kyle Parker
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Independent report available for review

On March 18, 2022, we received a Subsurface Investigation Report dated March 4, 2022. The site has petroleum contamination affecting soil and groundwater.

More information

ONLINE RESOURCES

- Find information on [any cleanup site](#)²⁷
- Look up [terms in the glossary](#)²⁸.

ECOLOGY REGIONAL OFFICES

Central Regional Office

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Eastern Regional Office

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Headquarters

300 Desmond Drive SE
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Northwest Regional Office

15700 Dayton Ave N.
Shoreline, WA 98133

Southwest Regional Office

300 Desmond Drive SE
Lacey, WA 98503

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- 1 https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/WAECY/subscriber/new?topic_id=WAECY_118
- 2 <http://tinyurl.com/EcologySiteReg>
- 3 <https://ecology.wa.gov/events-listing>
- 4 <http://www.ecology.wa.gov/Accessibility>
- 5 healthscreening.ecology.wa.gov
- 6 <https://ecology.wa.gov/Events/Search/Listing>
- 7 <https://apps.ecology.wa.gov/publications/SummaryPages/0909047.html>
- viii <https://apps.ecology.wa.gov/publications/SummaryPages/2209021.html>
- ix <https://apps.ecology.wa.gov/publications/SummaryPages/FTCP92115.html>
- x <https://apps.ecology.wa.gov/cleanupse/arch/>
- 11 <https://tcp.ecology.commentinput.com/?id=pdWYx>
- 12 <https://apps.ecology.wa.gov/cleanupse/arch/site/1909>
- 13 <https://apps.ecology.wa.gov/cleanupse/arch/document/111404>
- 14 <https://hwtr.ecology.commentinput.com/?id=7sgM3>
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- 27 <https://ecology.wa.gov/Spills-Cleanup/Contamination-cleanup/Cleanup-sites>
- 28 <https://ecology.wa.gov/Regulations-Permits/Guidance-technical-assistance/Toxic-cleanup-acronyms>