

Jeld Wen Cleanup Site



Aerial photo of Jeld Wen Cleanup Site

Comments Accepted

June 15, 2023 – July 15, 2023

How to Comment

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Facility Site ID: 2757
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Ecology Wants Your Input

The Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) invites comments on the Draft Cleanup Action Plan (DCAP), Draft Agreed Order Amendment, and Draft State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) Mitigated Determination of NonSignificance (MDNS) for the Jeld Wen cleanup site (site) located at 300 West Marine View Drive in Everett, Washington.

We invite you to review and submit your comments to Ecology on the following draft documents:

Draft Cleanup Action Plan: The DCAP describes the proposed cleanup plan for the contamination at the site.

Draft Agreed Order Amendment: This document describes an amendment to an existing Agreed Order between Ecology and JELD-WEN, Inc. (JELD-WEN) to clean up this site. This amendment requires JELD-WEN to perform pre-design investigation and engineering design.

Draft SEPA Mitigated Determination of Non-Significance: This document describes Ecology's determination that the activities outlined in the Cleanup Action Plan are not likely to harm human health or the environment.

Site Background and Contamination

The Jeld Wen site (formerly Nord Door facility) is located on the Snohomish River waterfront in Everett. The industrial site consists of approximately 36 acres of upland area and adjacent tidal mudflats. Operations at the site from the 1920s to the present have included

door and casket manufacturing, wood treating, fish net storage, sawmilling, and asphalt mixing. The National Pole Company treated poles in the uplands area prior to the 1940s. In the mid-1940's, Nord Door operated at this site as a stile and rail door plant. NordDoor operated an oil fired boiler on the eastern portion of the site prior to 1957 and later switched to wood-fired boiler. Former above and below ground storage tanks were located in the eastern portion of the site along West Marine View Drive and also further to the west, beneath what is the now the southern portion of the main manufacturing building.

In 1986, JELD-WEN acquired the property to produce finished wood products and operated at the site through 2005. Various asphalt companies (Cadman [current], CEMEX, Rinkers Materials and Sterling Asphalt) have leased and operated the northwest portion of the upland property as an asphalt batch plant since the mid-1990s. Contamination at this site is likely the result of the former wood door plant and machine shop's manufacturing and production processes, creosote pole treating, fuel oil use , and leaks and spills from aboveground storage tanks and underground storage tanks.

Sampling at this site found concentrations of the following contaminants above state cleanup levels:

- Soil - Polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs), Dioxins/furans, Volatile organic compounds (VOCs) including benzene and naphthalene, petroleum products, Phenolic compounds
- Groundwater - PAHs, VOCs including benzene and naphthalene, Polychlorinated biphenyl Compounds (PCBs), Dioxins/furans, petroleum products, Phenolic compounds
- Sediments (the sea floor) - PCBs, Dioxins/furans, PAHs

The Draft Cleanup Action Plan describes Ecology's proposed cleanup action for the site. The DCAP explains the requirements that the cleanup must meet. This work will include excavation and off-site disposal of soil, controlling sources of contamination, placing controls to help prevent future exposure to contamination, and establishing cleanup standards for soil, groundwater, and sediment at this site.

Draft Agreed Order Amendment

In January 2008, JELD-WEN and Ecology entered into a legal agreement called an Agreed Order (AO) to conduct remedial investigation and feasibility study, and prepare a draft cleanup action plan to cleanup this site. This amendment extends the existing AO to conduct pre-design investigations and engineering design. See Figure 1 for different stages of the cleanup process.

Draft SEPA Mitigated Determination of NonSignificance

We reviewed the DCAP and the SEPA checklist, and determined that the cleanup activities are not likely to harm human health or the environment. We issued a Mitigated Determination of NonSignificance (MDNS) for this cleanup proposal as some mitigation measures will be necessary to avoid or minimize significant impacts.

Why it Matters

The substances described above are hazardous chemicals and some, like dioxins and PAHs, are carcinogenic (potentially cancer causing). These substances pose a potential threat to human health and the environment. Cleaning them up lessens the risk of them spreading and contaminating other areas or being more difficult to clean up later.

Ecology’s Cleanup Process

The Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA) is Washington’s environmental cleanup law. It provides requirements for contaminated site cleanup and sets standards that protect human health and the environment. Ecology enacts the MTCA and oversees cleanups. The MTCA site cleanup process is completed in steps (see below) over a timeline that may change from project to project.

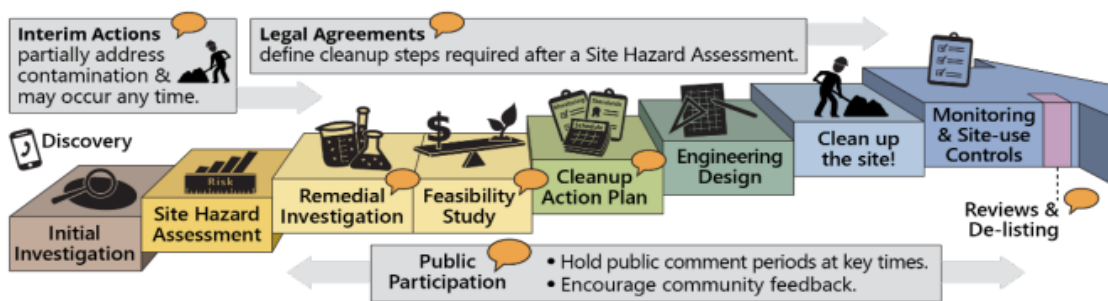


Figure 1. The MTCA site cleanup process is completed in steps. This site is in the fifth step in Washington's cleanup process.

What Happens Next

We will consider all comments we receive during the comment period, and we may change the documents based on your comments. If no significant changes are made, the draft Cleanup Action Plan, the Agreed Order Amendment and the SEPA Mitigated Determination of Non-Significance will be finalized. Once the Cleanup Action Plan and engineering design is final, a new legal mechanism (Agreed Order or Consent Decree) between Ecology and JELD-WEN will govern the cleanup of the site. Pre-design investigations and engineering design will take place from 2023 through 2026 and site cleanup construction is anticipated to take place in 2026 through 2028.

Where to the Find Documents

You can find the draft Cleanup Action Plan, the draft Agreed Order Amendment and the draft SEPA Mitigated Determination of Non-Significance in person at the Department of Ecology, or the Everett Library listed on the first page of this fact sheet. Or you can view them and other project documents on the project website at:

<https://apps.ecology.wa.gov/cleanupsearch/site/4402>



Figure 2: Map of the Jeld Wen site, showing areas of contamination identified in the Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study.

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