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New sites

Sites added to our lists of cleanup sites in Washington state since the previous issue of the Contaminated Site Register. Click the site name to visit a webpage about the site.

Sites needing cleanup

We added one site to the Contaminated Sites List:

• <u>Aeon Apartments II</u> 1, Vancouver	Cleanup Started
• California Ave Gas Station ² , Seattle	Awaiting Cleanup
• <u>Kalama Export Co</u> ³ , Kalama	Cleanup Started
• Magic Cleaners ⁴ , Seattle	Awaiting Cleanup
• MLK 76 ⁵ , Seattle	Awaiting Cleanup
• Northwest Motorsports Puyallup ⁶ , Puyallup	Cleanup Started
• Sound Transit South Bellevue Station ⁷ , Bellevue	Cleanup Started
• <u>Starbucks Diesel Release</u> ⁸ ,Port Angeles	Cleanup Started

No further action sites

Sometimes we decide no further action is needed to clean up a site before we first list it in our database. This can happen when a property owner completes a cleanup within 90 days of discovery.

We added one no further action site since the last issue.

• <u>Lawrence Oil Petroleum Spill</u>⁹, Othello

Cleanup site lists

- Contaminated Sites List¹⁰
 Sites that are waiting for or undergoing cleanup
- No Further Action Sites List 11
 Sites where Ecology has determined that no further cleanup is needed.

Search both lists at once with <u>All cleanup sites in Washington</u>¹², or by using our <u>What's In My Neigborhood map</u>¹³.



Cleanups supervised by Ecology

These cleanups are supervised by Ecology under legal agreements or orders, or performed by Ecology.

CHELAN COUNTY

Chelan PUD Worthen Substation

500 S Worthen St, Wenatchee

Facility Site ID# **44830** Cleanup Site ID# **14795**

Comment online 14

For more information

- Visit Ecology's <u>Chelan PUD</u>
 Worthen Substation webpage 15
- Contact John Mefford
 Site Manager
 John.Mefford@ecy.wa.gov
 509-731-9613

Document review locations

- Wenatchee Public Library 310 Douglas Street, Wenatchee 509-662-5021
- Department of Ecology 1250 W. Alder Street, Union Gap 509-575-2490

July 1–31: Comment on draft legal agreement

We invite your comments on a draft legal agreement, called an Agreed Order. The <u>Agreed Order</u>¹⁶ and a fact sheet about it are available on the cleanup site webpage (left).

This site is at the beginning of the cleanup process. The next steps are to complete a remedial investigation and a feasibility study. A remedial investigation is an environmental study of the site to determine what kinds of contamination are there, and how far they have spread. A feasibility study is a report comparing cleanup options.

Background

Prior investigations have confirmed the presence of contaminants in the soil and groundwater of the site. These contaminants include gasoline-range, diesel, and heavy oil-range petroleum hydrocarbons, as well as other toxic contaminants related to previous industries at the site.



CLARK COUNTY

Georgia Pacific Consumer Products Camas

401 NE Adams St, Camas

Facility Site ID# **66765272** Cleanup Site ID# **15156**

For more information

- Visit Ecology's Georgia Pacific Consumer Products Camas webpage¹⁷
- Contact Tara Roberts
 Public Involvement Coordinator tara.roberts@ecy.wa.gov
 360-280-4325

5:30-7 p.m., July 9: Public Information Open House

Lacamas Lake Lodge 227 NE Lake Rd Camas, Washington

The City of Camas, Department of Ecology, Washington State Department of Health, and Clark County Public Health will hold an open house to share information about recent PFAS concerns in the Camas community. Participants can ask the city about proposed actions and response to PFAS found in Well 13 and the Camas water system.

Although there has not been a link established between the Georgia Pacific mill site and recent tests that identified PFAS chemicals in the city's drinking water wells, Ecology will be there to provide information regarding the Model Toxics Control Act cleanup process at the Georgia Pacific Camas Mill.

Representatives from Department of Health and Clark County Health will be available to answer questions relating to PFAS in drinking water, their role in implementing EPAs new drinking water rule, and about overall health concerns related to PFAS.



FRANKLIN COUNTY

Western Farm Service Pasco

3482 North Glade Road Pasco

Facility Site ID# **578** Cleanup Site ID# **2351**

Comment online 18

For more information

- Visit Ecology's Western Farm Service Pasco webpage¹⁹
- Contact Kristin Beck
 Site Manager
 kristin.beck@ecy.wa.gov
 509-514-6806

Document review locations

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

June 3–July 2: Periodic Review Report available for review and comment

Ecology invites you to review and comment on the draft <u>periodic review</u>²⁰ for this site. We complete a periodic review about every five years after cleanup construction is complete at a site when institutional controls are part of the cleanup. The purpose of the review is to make sure the controls remain effective and the cleanup still protects human health and the environment.

We visited the site on Oct. 3, 2023, and found the cleanup actions continue to protect people and the environment.

History & cleanup

The site has been an active retail agricultural facility since 1973, and is used for mixing and distribution of bulk liquid and dry fertilizers, liquid pesticides, and pre-packaged fertilizers and pesticides.

The site has soil and groundwater contaminated with pesticides and herbicides. Cleanup included engineering controls, institutional controls, and groundwater monitoring. In 2004, workers excavated areas where contaminated soil contacted groundwater. They capped other impacted soils with asphalt to prevent direct contact by humans or animals and to restrict infiltration of rainwater through contaminated soils.

Next steps

We will review all comments received during the comment period and update the periodic review if needed. If we don't make any significant change, we'll finalize the periodic review. If we do make significant changes, we'll hold another public comment period. We will hold an online public meeting if 10 or more people request one.



GRANT COUNTY

Grant County Ephrata Landfill 1

3803 Neva Lake Rd NW Ephrata

Facility Site ID# **592** Cleanup Site ID# **1692**

Comment online²¹

or mail comments to:

Kristin Beck Site Manager 4601 N. Monroe St. Spokane, WA 99205

For more information

- Visit Ecology's Grant County <u>Ephrata Landfill 1 webpage</u>²²
- Contact Kristin Beck
 Site Manager
 <u>kristin.beck@ecy.wa.gov</u>
 509-514-6806

Document review locations

Please contact Erika Beresovoy at ecy.wa.gov or 509-385-2290 if you need printed documents.

June 3–July 2: Draft amendment to legal agreement available for public comment

We invite you to review and comment on draft documents for this cleanup site:

- Third amendment to the Agreed Order²³. This addition to our legal agreement with Grant County would require them to expand soil and groundwater treatment system testing, and to evaluate and recommend additional groundwater monitoring
- Scope of work and schedule to complete the proposed testing and evaluation (attached to the Agreed Order)

Site history

The City of Ephrata began operating the Ephrata Landfill around 1942 and owned and managed it until 1974. Grant County has managed the landfill since 1974. The landfill was an open dump until 1962. Waste was put into an unlined cell until 2005.

About 2,000 drums of industrial waste were buried in August 1975.

Since 2007, the site has had ongoing investigation into the extent of contamination. The parties responsible have completed several interim cleanup actions, including removing and properly disposing of the drums of industrial waste.

Next steps

We will review all comments received during the comment period and update the periodic review if needed. If we don't make any significant changes, we'll finalize the periodic review. If we do make significant changes, we'll hold another public comment period. We will hold an online public meeting if 10 or more people request one.



GRAYS HARBOR COUNTY

Former Grays Harbor Paper/ITT Rayonier

801 23rd St, Hoquiam

Facility Site ID# **44124741** Cleanup Site ID# **2262**

Comment online²⁴

or mail comments to:

Emily Toffol Industrial Section P.O. Box 47600 Olympia, WA 98504

For more information

- Visit Ecology's Former Grays
 Harbor Paper/ITT Rayonier
 webpage²⁵
- Contact Emily Toffol Site Manager
 emily.toffol@ecy.wa.gov
 360-790-8363

Document review locations

- Hoquiam Timberland Library 420 7th Street, Hoquiam 360-532-1710
- Department of Ecology Industrial Section
 300 Desmond Drive SE, Lacey
 564 669-4474

June 4—July 9: Draft Agreed Order and draft Public Participation Plan available for review and comment

We invite you to comment on the <u>draft Agreed Order</u>²⁶ and the associated <u>Public Participation Plan</u> for cleaning up the former Grays Harbor Pulp and Paper Mill.

Rayonier A.M. Properties, LLC (RAMP), is the potentially liable person for this cleanup. The draft Agreed Order requires RAMP to investigate contamination at the site, evaluate options for cleanup, and develop a draft plan to clean up the contamination. The Public Participation Plan communicates how and at what stages Ecology will engage with the public during the cleanup process.

The site operated as a pulp and/or paper mill from the 1920s to 2013. The site is not currently operating. Industrial practices and past land use by the mill owners and operators caused contamination at the site.



KING COUNTY

Maury Island Open Space

8215 SW 260th St Vashon

Facility Site ID# **2901216** Cleanup Site ID# **1532**

For more information

- Visit Ecology's Maury Island
 Open Space webpage xxvii
- Contact Ryan Gardiner
 Site Manager
 Ryan.Gardiner@ecy.wa.gov
 425-681-5543

Response to public comments available

We held a comment period from Feb 26 – March 26, 2024, on an amendment to our legal agreement with King County for cleanup at this site. We considered the public comments received on the legal agreement. Based on our evaluation of the comments, no changes to the document were necessary, and we are finalizing the agreement. You can read a Response to Comments Summary xxviii on the site webpage (left).

The amendments to the legal agreement included:

- The final 2019 Cleanup Action Plan and an updated schedule of deliverables to complete the remaining phases.
- An Environmental Covenant to restrict land uses on the site, such as requiring maintaining the capped roads and trails and not disturbing contaminated soil without Ecology permission.
- Updated legal language to comply with updated applicable laws.

Next steps

As of December 2023, King County has already completed the first two cleanup phases of Ecology's Cleanup Action Plan. The county will work on completing the plan through 2029. They will:

- Revegetate several areas within the site.
- Cap maintenance roads and majority of trails with a minimum of 3 to 4 inches
 of compacted gravel and a 3-inch-thick layer of mineral soil or additional
 gravel.
- Decommission some trails and redundant trail spurs.
- Complete limited wetland remediation near gravel parking lot.

Background

The site is about 266-acres on the southeast side of Maury Island. Part of the site was once a sand and gravel mine. The 1-mile shoreline is the longest undeveloped stretch of Puget Sound shoreline in King County. The county acquired the site in 2010. It is currently open to the public for non-motorized recreation.

Environmental investigations have shown that contaminants exist throughout the site because of fallout from the former ASARCO Tacoma Smelter smokestack, and from shooting sports in the area.



Plantation Rifle Range

5102 Samish Way Bellingham

Facility Site ID# 21444552 Cleanup Site ID# 15182

Comment online²⁹

or mail comments to:

Christa Colouzis Site Manager Ecology Northwest Region Office 15700 Dayton Ave N. Shoreline, WA 98133-9716

For more information

- Visit Ecology's <u>Plantation Rifle</u> <u>Range webpage</u>³⁰
- Contact Christa Colouzis
 Site Manager
 <u>christa.colouzis@ecy.wa.gov</u>
 425-324-1850

Document review locations

- Department of Ecology Northwest Region Office 15700 Dayton Ave N.
 Shoreline Reception (24-hour) 206-594-0000
- Bellingham Public Library Central Branch
 210 Central Avenue
 Bellingham
 360-778-7323

May 6–June 28: Comment period for cleanup documents **extended** until June 28

We're overseeing the cleanup of contamination at Plantation Rifle Range. We invite you to review and comment on the following documents:

- Draft Permit: This is a dangerous waste corrective action permit that allows environmental cleanup at the site to continue.
- Draft Public Participation Plan: Encourages community involvement in cleanup decisions.

Plantation Rifle Range has indoor and outdoor ranges, a trap field, and a classroom. Earthen backstops (to stop bullets) exist behind some target lines.

Ruby Creek flows along the eastern boundary of the site. It flows into Finney Creek which flows into Lake Samish. Lake Samish is a drinking water supply for residents around the lake. There are also wetlands within and along the east side of the rifle range.

In 2020, we inspected the range and collected samples. The samples indicated the presence of lead. Whatcom County then began conducting monthly surface water sampling. In 2021, we returned and took soil samples, these tested positive for lead.

Extensive soil sampling in 2023 found areas of soil with lead levels well above the dangerous waste limit. Details about site contamination will be in the draft remedial investigation, available for public review later in 2024. Lead above cleanup levels must be addressed, and a draft feasibility study will compare ways to address the contaminated soil.

We also found that some site surface water has lead levels above the dangerous waste limit. By the time it leaves the site, it has mixed with other surface water and is below dangerous waste levels. Any cleanup must address this contamination.

Private drinking water wells closest to the range were sampled. Lead levels for all the wells tested were within the drinking water standards.

At this time, there are no public meetings scheduled. To request one, please call 425-301-6454 or email janelle.anderson@ecy.wa.gov.



SKAGIT COUNTY

A Avenue Landfill

A Ave & 37th St Anacortes

Facility Site ID# **3094179** Cleanup Site ID# **1771**

For more information

- Visit Ecology's <u>A Avenue Landfill</u> webpage³¹
- Contact Ryan Gardiner
 Site Manager
 Ryan.Gardiner@ecy.wa.gov
 425-681-5543

Response to public comments available

A <u>Response to Comments Summary</u>³² is available for review on the A Avenue Landfill cleanup webpage.

Public Comment Period and Next Steps

We held a comment period from March 25 to April 23 on a legal agreement with the City of Anacortes and a public participation plan. We have reviewed and considered the comments we received. Based on our evaluation of the comments, no changes to the documents were necessary, and we are finalizing the documents.

The city will proceed with the remedial investigation, which is an environmental study to determine what contaminants are at the site and how far they've spread. If necessary after completion of the investigation, the city will also prepare a feasibility study and draft cleanup action plan. The public will also have a chance to comment on the remedial investigation, and the feasibility study and draft cleanup action plan if they're required.

Background

The former landfill is near A Avenue and 37th Street in Anacortes, within the Anacortes Community Forest Lands. The City of Anacortes owns the approximately 6-acre property. Anacortes City Parks and Recreation Department manages the old landfill site in coordination with the Skagit County Public Health Department (SCPH). Access to the main portion of the property is currently restricted.

The city has worked with SCPH and Ecology since 2003 to properly close the former landfill and perform routine post-closure monitoring and maintenance.

Remedial investigation focus

Soil and groundwater seep sampling has been performed at the site. Petroleum contamination was identified in a shallow soil sample during the SCPH's 2003 Initial Investigation. Additional contaminants, including polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons, may be present in soil and groundwater based on the available site history.



WALLA WALLA COUNTY

Stillwater Holdings Chevron

7 E. Rose St. Walla Walla

Facility Site ID# **70525886** Cleanup Site ID# **16913**

Comment online 33

or mail comments to:

Elizabeth Kercher Site Manager 4601 N. Monroe St. Spokane, WA 99205

For more information

- Visit Ecology's <u>Stillwater</u> <u>Holdings Chevron webpage</u> 34
- Read our <u>news release 35</u>
- Read the <u>notice that was</u> mailed to the community³⁶
- Contact Elizabeth Kercher Site Manager
 beth.kercher@ecy.wa.gov
 509-385-5443

Document review locations

Please contact Erika Beresovoy at Erika.Beresovoy@ecy.wa.gov or 509-385-2290 if you need print documents.

June 18–Aug. 16: Comment on legal order and public participation plan

We invite you to comment on the <u>Enforcement Order</u> we issued to Stillwater Holdings Chevron on June 17. The order requires them to continue treating and disposing sump and wastewater related to their gasoline spill, and to keep vapors from accumulating in neighboring buildings until a permanent treatment system is installed. This order went into effect the day we issued it. We are holding a 60-day comment period to allow for more than 30 days after people receive the notice in the mail.

We also invite your comments on a <u>Public Participation Plan</u>. This plan describes how we'll keep you informed during the cleanup process, and how and when you can can comment.

Site history

We responded to gas odors in the basement of the Marcus Whitman Hotel in September 2023. Air quality testing identified potentially harmful vapors and gasoline in the basement. The hotel was evacuated immediately. Vapors were also detected in two nearby buildings.

For the next month, ventilation reduced dangerous fumes, and gasoline-contaminated groundwater was pumped from the affected buildings. Once the threat to the community lowered in October, the response shifted to clean up.

Based on sampling results, Stillwater Holdings Chevron was identified as the source of the spill. The regular gasoline underground storage tank was leaking, It has now been emptied. Two neighboring properties are still impacted. The owner began negotiating an agreed order with Ecology in early 2024 to clean up contaminated soil and groundwater.

On May 9, Stillwater Holdings told Ecology that insurance funds were almost gone. They said they could pay for little or no more work. Ecology is preparing to take over and fund cleanup when Stillwater has exhausted all its funds because the site poses significant risks to the community. Mitigating potentially harmful vapors in the hotel and nearby building remains the highest priority, which is why Ecology issued an enforcement order so it will continue until we take over.

Next steps

Ecology will consider and respond to all comments we receive during this public comment period. We will post our response to comments document on this webpage and send the document to people who submitted comments.



WHATCOM COUNTY

Holly Street Landfill

600 W Holly Street Bellingham

Facility Site ID# 2925 Cleanup Site ID# 253

Comment online³⁷

or mail comments to:

Cliff Nale
Dept of Ecology
PO Box 330316
Shoreline, WA 98133-9716

For more information

- Visit Ecology's Holly Street Landfill webpage³⁸
- Contact Cliff Nale Site Manager Cliff.Nale@ecy.wa.gov 425-725-0438

Document review locations

 Bellingham Public Library 210 Central Avenue Bellingham, WA 98225

For document review assistance, please contact:

Kristen Forkeutis

Kristen.Forkeutis@ecy.wa.gov

Outreach Specialist

425-240-4353

June 3–July 3: Cleanup evaluation report ready for public review

Ecology invites you to review a <u>report</u>³⁹ evaluating the completed cleanup of this site near the Bellingham waterfront. We prepared the report to determine if the cleanup, completed by the City of Bellingham in 2005, still protects human health and the environment.

2005 cleanup

The city cleaned up the site in 2005 while under a legal agreement with Ecology. They addressed solid waste, methane production, and contaminant impacts to Whatcom Creek. The cleanup removed about 12,400 tons of solid waste, primarily from the northern bank, before construction of the cap. Workers transported and disposed of the excavated materials at a permitted, off-site landfill. Along with the cleanup activities the city restored historically lost habitat at the mouth of Whatcom Creek.

Conclusions of the cleanup evaluation

Our periodic review report concluded that we need more information to determine if the completed cleanup protects human health and the environment, including:

- Monitoring to assess the current quality of groundwater seeps discharging to Whatcom Creek.
- Conducting a climate change vulnerability assessment.
- Investigating the source of contamination in Whatcom Creek bank sediment next to the site.

Ecology will work with the city to gather this additional information.



More information

ABOUT THE SITE REGISTER

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- Find past issues of the Contaminated Site Register 41

Questions about the Site Register? Contact Sarah Kellington at 360-280-3167 or sarah.kellington@ecy.wa.gov.

ONLINE RESOURCES

- Look up terms in the glossary 42
- See events and comment periods 43

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Eastern Region Office 4601 N. Monroe Spokane, WA 99205-1295 **Headquarters** 300 Desmond Drive SE Lacey, WA 98503 **Northwest Region Office** 15700 Dayton Ave N. Shoreline, WA 98133

Southwest Region Office 300 Desmond Drive SE Lacey, WA 98503



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¹⁰ https://ecology.wa.gov/online-tool-contaminated-sites-list

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