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News & Notes

PLIA's proposes new Underground Storage Tank Revolving Loan and Grant Program rule

Comment from November 6 to December 13 at 5 p.m.

The Pollution Liability Insurance Agency (PLIA) is conducting rulemaking to codify the Underground Storage Revolving Tank Loan and Grant Program requirements established under [Chapter 70A.345 RCW](#).¹ The proposed rule, [Chapter 374-90 WAC](#),² outlines program eligibility, funding availability, and other information about the program's administration.

This voluntary program offers funding awards to assist owners or operators of petroleum underground storage tank systems to:

- Clean up past releases
- Upgrade, replace, or remove petroleum underground storage tank systems to prevent future releases
- Install new infrastructure or retrofit existing infrastructure for dispensing or using renewable or alternative energy

The program also helps heating oil tank owners and operators to clean up past releases and prevent future releases by upgrading, replacing, decommissioning, or removing heating oil tank systems. Learn more about the Loan and Grant Program and rulemaking process on [PLIA's website](#).³

Send comments to rules@plia.wa.gov or mail to PLIA

Attn: Rules Coordinator
PO Box 40930
Olympia, WA 98504

Contaminated Site Register



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

- [Baxter South Woodwaste Landfill](#)⁴, Arlington awaiting cleanup CSID 17109
- [Baxter North Woodwaste Landfill](#)⁵, Arlington awaiting cleanup CSID 17113
- [Little Saigon Park](#)⁶, Seattle cleanup started CSID 17108
- [Chinook Ballard](#)⁷, Seattle awaiting cleanup CSID 17111
- [Northside Landfill LUST](#)⁸, Spokane cleanup started CSID 17110

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.

- [McCoy's Plumbing](#)⁹, Newport CSID 17107

Cleanup site lists

You can search the Contaminated Sites List and No Further Action Sites List on [Cleanup and Tank Search](#)¹⁰, or by using our [What's In My Neighborhood map](#)¹¹.

Cleanups supervised by Ecology

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

FRANKLIN COUNTY

Pasco Landfill

Kahlotus Rd. & Hwy 12
Pasco

Facility Site ID# **575**

Cleanup Site ID# **1910**

[Comment online](#)¹²

or mail comments to:

Jeremy Schmidt
Site Manager
4601 N. Monroe St.
Spokane, WA 99205

For more information

- Visit Ecology's [Pasco Landfill webpage](#)¹³
- Contact Jeremy Schmidt
Site Manager
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509-724-1164

Document review locations

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

5 p.m. Nov. 20, 2024–11:59 p.m. Jan. 20, 2025: Comment on amendment to legal order and cleanup plan

From April 2021–June 2022, workers removed over 35,000 drums of hazardous waste from Zone A of the closed Pasco Landfill and took them to Grand View, Idaho, and Arlington, Oregon, for safe disposal. Since April 2024, underground thermal treatment has removed and destroyed about 9,100 pounds of chemicals from contaminated soil around the area where the drums were buried.

Recently, some chemicals being removed from the treatment process were not fully captured by the system and traveled to groundwater. **Groundwater is not a source of drinking water in the area, and people are not currently at risk.** Increased chemical recovery in Zone A is underway to correct this situation.

You are invited to review and comment on the [amended Enforcement Order](#)¹⁴ to address groundwater contamination. Ecology is requiring the parties responsible for cleanup to:

- Increase groundwater monitoring and treat the recent groundwater contamination to contain it
- Protect air quality in nearby buildings by assessing whether contaminant levels in groundwater could cause unsafe levels of contaminants to build up indoors

The amended Enforcement Order includes the Cleanup Action Plan, scope of work, and schedule for completing the new activities.

Next steps

The Enforcement Order amendment went into effect November 20, the day we issued it. The parties responsible for cleanup have already begun the required work to address the situation as quickly as possible. We are working closely with them to ensure public safety.

We planned a 60-day comment period to allow people more than 30 days to respond after the community receives the [public notice](#)¹⁵ in the mail. We will hold a public meeting if 10 or more people request it.

Contaminated Site Register



KING COUNTY

Block 38 West Cleanup Site

520 Westlake Ave N
Seattle

Facility Site ID# **62773**
Cleanup Site ID# **15008**

[Comment online](#)¹⁶

or mail comments to:

Tena Seeds
Site Manager
Department of Ecology
PO Box 330316
Shoreline, WA 98133

For more information

- Visit Ecology's [Block 38 West Cleanup Site webpage](#)¹⁷
- Contact Tena Seeds
Site Manager
Tena.Seeds@ecy.wa.gov
425-457-3143

Document review locations

Seattle Public Library
Central Branch
1000 4th Ave
Seattle, WA 98104

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12:01 a.m. Nov. 18–11:59 p.m. Dec. 19:

Comment on cleanup documents

Ecology is overseeing the cleanup of this site in Seattle's South Lake Union neighborhood. City Investors IX L.L.C. is the Potentially Liable Person cleaning up the site. Historical operations and placement of contaminated fill at the Block 38 West Property contaminated soil and groundwater at the site.

From October 2019 through July 2021, City Investors IX did substantial early cleanup work as part of redeveloping the site. Workers removed contaminated soil from the Block 38 West Property and neighboring alley and disposed of it off-site. Cleanup work done before a full cleanup action plan is called an 'interim action,' and may be done before the site is fully studied.

In this case, the environmental study of the site showed that the interim action work cleaned up enough contamination that the site meets the requirements of the state cleanup law, the Model Toxics Control Act. The only remaining need is to implement institutional controls.

We invite you to comment on the following documents:

- **Remedial Investigation and Focused Feasibility Study:** describes the results of environmental studies detailing contamination at the site, and evaluates and recommends a preferred cleanup action.
- **Draft Cleanup Action Plan:** describes the cleanup work done and institutional controls needed to protect the site in the future.
- **Consent Decree:** a legal agreement between Ecology and City Investors IX, that requires City Investors IX to implement the cleanup action plan.

Next steps

We will consider and respond to all comments we receive during this public comment period. We will post a document summarizing our responses on the Block 38 West webpage.

Contaminated Site Register



Delta Marine Industries

1608 S 96th St
Seattle

Facility Site ID# **22978975**
Cleanup Site ID# **15503**

[Comment online](#)¹⁸

or mail comments to:

Cliff Nale
Site Manager
PO Box 330316
Shoreline, WA 98133

For more information

- Visit Ecology's [Delta Marine Industries webpage](#)¹⁹
- Contact Cliff Nale
Site Manager
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425-725-0438

12:01 a.m. Nov. 18, 2024–11:59 p.m. Jan. 16, 2025

Comment on legal agreement and public participation plan

Ecology invites you to comment on several documents for this cleanup site near Seattle's South Park neighborhood and the Lower Duwamish Waterway.

The following documents are available for review:

- **Agreed Order:** This agreement between Ecology, 1608 S 96th St. LLC, and Desimone Trusts requires them to study contamination at Delta Marine Industries, compare cleanup options, and write a draft cleanup plan.
- **Public Participation Plan:** This plan describes how Ecology will inform the community about cleanup and ways to become involved.

Investigations have found the following contamination above state cleanup levels:

- **Soil:** arsenic, cadmium, lead, thallium, and polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs)
- **Groundwater:** petroleum hydrocarbons, antimony, arsenic, lead, and PAHs
- **Soil Vapor:** petroleum hydrocarbons and volatile organic compounds (VOCs)

Industrial Container Services WA LLC

7152 1st Ave S
Seattle

Facility Site ID# **2154**
Cleanup Site ID# **62**

[Comment online](#)²⁰
or mail comments to:

Beau Johnson
Site Manager
PO Box 330316
Shoreline, WA 98133

For more information

- Visit Ecology's [Industrial Container Services WA LLC webpage](#)²¹
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Document review locations

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South Park Branch
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12:01 a.m. Nov. 18, 2024–11:59 p.m. Jan. 31, 2025

Comment on cleanup documents

This comment period was extended by two weeks. The new end date for this comment period is **January 31, 2025**.

This cleanup site is near Seattle's South Park Neighborhood and the First Ave. South bridge over the Lower Duwamish Waterway, in an industrial area.

The following documents are available for review and comment:

- **Remedial Investigation:** The results of an environmental study detailing the types of contamination and where they were found. The study found the following contamination at levels that need to be cleaned up:
 - **Soil:** Metals, petroleum hydrocarbons, carcinogenic polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (cPAHs), pentachlorophenol (PCP), DDT, dieldrin, polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), volatile organic compounds (VOCs).
 - **Groundwater:** VOCs, semivolatile organic compounds (SVOCs), PCBs, petroleum hydrocarbons, and pesticides
 - **Sediment:** PCBs, metals, and SVOCs
- **Feasibility Study:** A comparison of different cleanup methods, called alternatives. This document includes Ecology's preferred alternative.

In 2010, Ecology negotiated a legal agreement, called an Agreed Order, with the property owner Herman Trotsky and the site operator, Industrial Container Services-WA, LLC, the Potentially Liable Persons (PLPs) for the site.

The site is bordered on the north by the [Douglas Management Dock cleanup site](#)²². It has an inlet to the Duwamish River on the north side.

Contamination likely comes from various industrial activities, which started in the 1930s.

Contaminated Site Register



Morningside Acres

5021 Rainier Ave

Facility Site ID# **4321**

Cleanup Site ID# **12408**

For more information

- Visit Ecology's [Morningside Acres Cleanup Site webpage](#)²³
- Contact Zak Wall
Site Manager
Zak.Wall@ecy.wa.gov
425-758-5231

Response to public comments available

A Response to Comments Summary is available for review on the Morningside Acres cleanup webpage (left).

Public comment period and next steps

We held a 30-day comment period (Oct. 7 – Nov. 7, 2024) on:

- Prospective Purchaser Consent Decree (PPCD): a legal agreement between Ecology and SouthEast Effective Development (SEED) that directs them purchaser to implement cleanup at the site and provides them a settlement of liability.
- Public Participation Plan: a document that explains how people can participate in the cleanup process.

We reviewed and considered the comments we received on the legal agreement and plan. Based on our evaluation of the comments, no significant changes to the document were necessary, and they are being finalized.

Contamination

Prior investigations have confirmed the presence of contaminants in the soil, soil gas, and groundwater of the site. Contamination is related to historic automotive repair and parts washing facilities on the South Parcel, former gasoline service stations on the North Parcel, and historic underground storage tanks on the South and North Parcels associated with those businesses. The known contaminants include Chlorinated Volatile Organic Compounds (CVOC), Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons (TPH), and petroleum-related volatile organic compounds.

KITTITAS COUNTY

Pilot Travel Center 389

1512 Highway 97
Ellensburg

Facility Site ID# **18911356**
Cleanup Site ID# **5649**

[Comment online](#)²⁴

For more information

- Visit Ecology's [Pilot Travel Center 389 webpage](#)²⁵
- Contact Chelsea Wisotzkey
Site Manager
chelsea.wisotzkey@ecy.wa.gov
509-571-4708

Document review locations

- Ellensburg Library
209 Ruby Street
Ellensburg
509-962-7250
- Department of Ecology
1250 W. Alder Street
Union Gap
509-575-2490

12 a.m. Nov. 18– 11:59 p.m. Dec. 18

Comment on Agreed Order

You are invited to review and comment on the Draft Agreed Order for the Pilot Travel Center site.

This order requires Pilot Travel Centers and Love's Travel Stops and Country Stores to clean up soil and groundwater that is contaminated with petroleum.

The Pilot site has been a truck stop and fueling station operated by Pilot Travel Centers from before 1996 until 2010, when Love's Travel Stops and Country Stores took over ownership and operation.

Before 1996, spills and leaks at the site polluted the soil and groundwater. In 2018, a fuel leak near the gas pumps increased levels of pollution in nearby groundwater. The most recent incident occurred in October 2023, when over 700 gallons of unleaded gasoline were accidentally spilled during tank maintenance. Not all of the spilled fuel was recovered, leading to more pollution.

Early investigations in 1996 and 2010 found contamination at the site but did not fully measure its extent. Monitoring wells were installed to check pollution levels in the groundwater over time. After the 2018 fuel leak, some emergency measures were taken to address the increased contamination.

Following the 2023 spill, workers recovered some of the spilled gasoline, but the site was not fully cleaned up. The full extent of pollution in soil and groundwater remains unknown.

Next steps

Ecology will consider and respond to all comments we receive during this public comment period. We will post our publish our response to comments.

PIERCE COUNTY

Eatonville Landfill

Nisqually State Park Entrance
Mashel Prairie Rd
Eatonville

Facility Site ID# **85933**
Cleanup Site ID# **15271**

[Comment online](#)²⁶

or mail comments to:

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Public Involvement Coordinator
Department of Ecology
PO Box 47775
Olympia, WA 98504-7775

For more information

- Visit Ecology's [Eatonville Landfill webpage](#)²⁷
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Document review locations

- Eatonville Library
205 Center St
Eatonville
253-548-3311
- Ecology Lacey Office
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By appointment only.
Call 360-407-6365 or email
PublicDisclosureSWRO@ecy.wa.gov
to set up an appointment.

8 a.m. Nov. 14– 11:59 p.m. Dec. 18

Comment on cleanup documents

This site is ready for the next stage of cleanup. The Town of Eatonville leased the land from the Weyerhaeuser Company to use as a dump from about 1950 to 1980. Eatonville and Weyerhaeuser are the potentially liable persons for the site. We invite your review and comment on:

- The **Consent Decree** is a legal agreement. It requires Eatonville and Weyerhaeuser to carry out Ecology's Cleanup Action Plan.
- The **Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study** describes the chemicals polluting the site and where they are, and compares cleanup options. Contaminants include metals, semi-volatile organic compounds (SVOCs), and Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons (TPH).
- The **draft Cleanup Action Plan** explains the proposed cleanup option, why we chose it, and the schedule, standards, and requirements.
 - In the Landfill Area, Ecology proposes fully removing the waste (about 21,500 cubic yards), fully removing contaminated soils (about 1,800 cubic yards), and restoring habitat.
 - In the Wetland Area, we propose removing as much waste as possible without disrupting the ecosystem, and monitoring natural recovery.
 - Ecology will put institutional controls at the site to prevent human exposure to contaminants during natural recovery.
- **The State Environmental Policy Act Determination of Non-significance** states that Ecology's cleanup plan is not likely to harm the environment.

The landfill covers about 2 acres. It is surrounded by Nisqually State Park, and is about a quarter mile from the Mashel River, a tributary of the Nisqually River. Both rivers are critical habitat for salmon and steelhead. The area is culturally important to the Nisqually Indian Tribe.

STEVENS COUNTY

Whitten Oil 1

370 W. 5th
Colville

Facility Site ID# **49354234**

Cleanup Site ID# **9440**

[Comment online](#)²⁸

or mail comments to:

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

For more information

- Visit Ecology's [Whitten Oil 1 webpage](#)²⁹
- Contact Ted Uecker
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509-342-5564

Document review locations

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

12:01 a.m. Nov. 18 to 11:59 p.m. Dec. 17

Comment on draft legal agreement and public participation plan

We invite your comments on two documents:

- The [draft Agreed Order](#)³⁰ requires Whitten Oil, Inc. and Whitty's LLC to complete a remedial investigation and feasibility study. The remedial investigation is an environmental study that will determine the full extent of petroleum and volatile organic compounds (VOCs) contamination in air, soil, and groundwater at the site. The feasibility study evaluates cleanup options.
- The [Public Participation Plan](#)³¹ describes how you will be informed and can comment during the cleanup process.

Whitten Oil, Inc. and Whitty's LLC are responsible for investigation and cleanup costs, as former and current operators of the site.

Site history

The site has been used to distribute petroleum products since the late 1930s. Whitten Oil began operating there in 1973. In 1989, workers removed six underground storage tanks and surrounding contaminated soil. A seventh underground storage tank was closed in place under the former gas station building. Further investigation found more soil and groundwater contamination.

Since 2017, groundwater has been sampled twice a year. In 2018, petroleum and VOCs in groundwater began to increase. In 2023, Ecology decided a new investigation and further cleanup are necessary because the extent of contamination is unknown and may be threatening nearby residences.

Next steps

We will consider all comments we receive during this public comment period, and may change the draft Agreed Order and Public Participation Plan. If we change the documents significantly, we will hold another public comment period. We will hold a public meeting if 10 or more people request one.

If we don't make significant changes, Ecology will finalize the order, and Whitten Oil, Inc. and Whitty's LLC will begin the remedial investigation.

Independent cleanups

These cleanups are not supervised or conducted by Ecology, though they may pay for technical help through our Voluntary Cleanup Program. Most independent cleanup work is not announced in the Contaminated Site Register.

PIERCE COUNTY

Lakeview Auto Wrecking

11528 Pacific Hwy SW
Tacoma

Facility Site ID# **8427706**
Cleanup Site ID# **3341**

For more information

- Visit Ecology's [Lakeview Auto Wrecking webpage](#)³²
- Contact Tim Mullin
Unit supervisor
tim.mullin@ecy.wa.gov
360-999-9589

No Further Action Determination

In 2007–2008, workers removed petroleum and metals contaminated soil and disposed of it at a landfill. Confirmatory soil and groundwater sampling showed that remaining concentrations met state cleanup levels.

Kwang Property

11536 & 11538 Pacific Hwy SW
Lakewood

Facility Site ID# **2537377**
Cleanup Site ID# **3982**

For more information

- Visit Ecology's [Kwang Property webpage](#)³³
- Contact Tim Mullin
Unit supervisor
tim.mullin@ecy.wa.gov
360-999-9589

No Further Action Determination

In 2007–2008, workers removed petroleum and metals contaminated soil and disposed of it at a landfill. Confirmatory soil and groundwater sampling showed that remaining concentrations met state cleanup levels.

Contaminated Site Register



More information

ABOUT THE SITE REGISTER

- [Receive the Contaminated Site Register by email](#)³⁴
- Find [past issues of the Contaminated Site Register](#)³⁵

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](#)³⁶
- See [events and comment periods](#)³⁷

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Shoreline, WA 98133

Southwest Region Office

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Lacey, WA 98503

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<https://app.leg.wa.gov/rcw/default.aspx?cite=70A.345>

2 <https://plia.wa.gov/wp-content/uploads/OTS-5919.1-For-Filing.pdf>

3 <https://plia.wa.gov/about-plia/administrative-rulemaking/>

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<https://apps.ecology.wa.gov/cleanupse/arch/site/17109>

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<https://apps.ecology.wa.gov/cleanupse/arch/site/17112>

10 <https://ecology.wa.gov/cleanup-search>

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

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<https://go.ecology.wa.gov/CommentPascoLandfill>

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<https://apps.ecology.wa.gov/cleanupse/arch/site/1910>

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<https://apps.ecology.wa.gov/cleanupse/arch/site/3341>

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<https://apps.ecology.wa.gov/cleanupse/arch/site/3982>

34 <https://ecology.wa.gov/Site-Register>

35 <http://tinyurl.com/EcologySiteReg>

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