

Terminal 91 Cleanup Update: 2026 Documents Available for Review and Comment



Figure 1: Aerial view of Terminal 91 on Elliott Bay in Seattle.

Comments accepted

June 15 – July 17, 2026

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Site information

ecology.wa.gov/Terminal91

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Site Cleanup ID: 2674

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We want to hear from you!

We're overseeing the cleanup of contamination at Terminal 91, located at 2001 W. Garfield St. in Seattle, Washington. We invite you to review and comment on the following documents:

- **Interim Action Work Plan:** A plan for deepening docking stations before the final cleanup so ships can connect to shore power to reduce air emissions.
- **Public Participation Plan:** A plan encouraging community involvement in cleanup decisions.

Visit ecology.wa.gov/Terminal91Comment to view these documents.

Need help?

Contact Janelle Anderson, Community Outreach Specialist, at 425-301-6454 or janelle.anderson@ecy.wa.gov.

Public meeting

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

Site background

Terminal 91 is in an industrial area along Elliott Bay between Queen Anne and Magnolia.

The area was developed for industrial shipping in the late 1800s and was used by the U.S. Navy during and after World War II. These activities contaminated the site, which requires cleanup.

Interim Action

The proposed interim action involves dredging two areas of the Western Berth to make it deep enough for cruise ships to connect to shore power, which reduces air emissions.

The larger proposed dredge area is clean. The area along the pier face is contaminated. All dredged material will go to an upland landfill for disposal. After dredging, the exposed area along the pier face will be covered with clean sand to protect small aquatic life from any remaining contamination until the final cleanup.

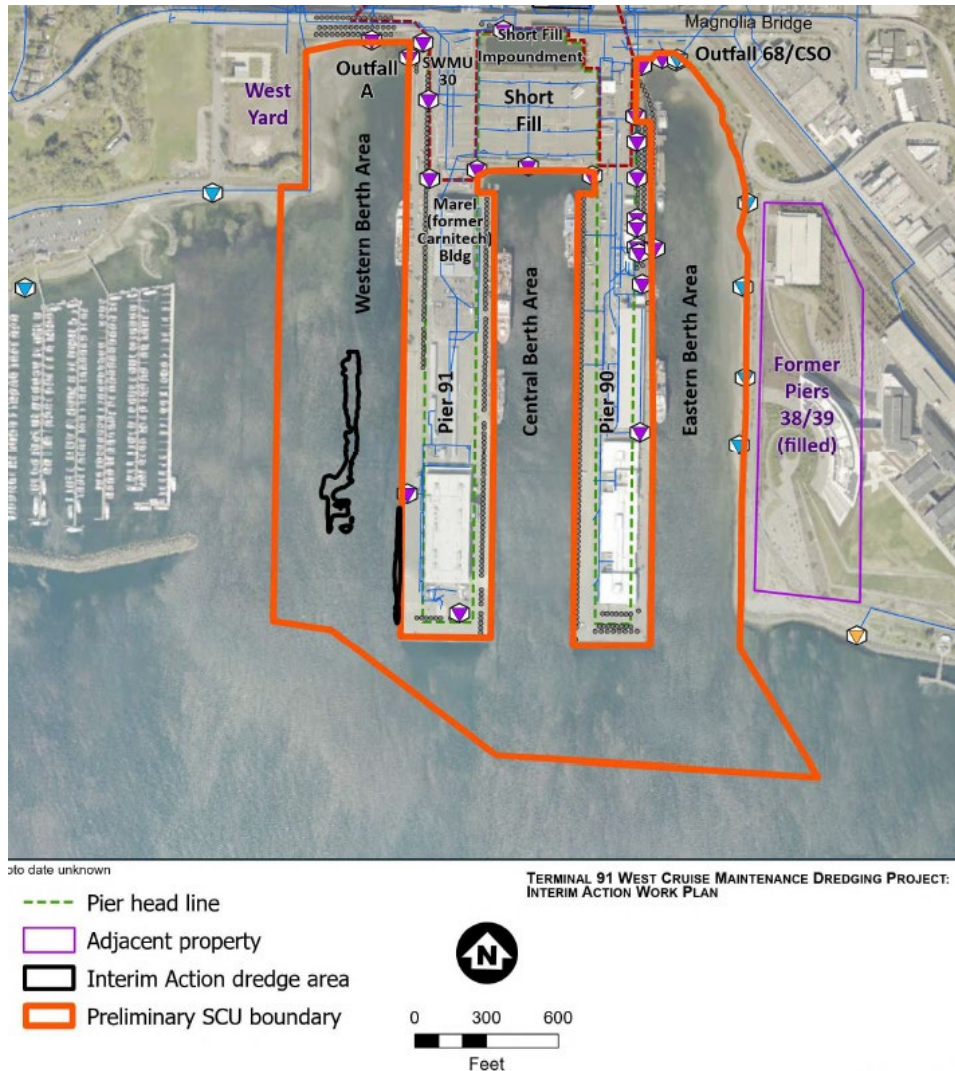


Figure 2: Aerial view of Terminal 91 with proposed dredge areas.

Contamination

Tank farm and uplands

The uplands cleanup is complete. The remedy excavated soil, removed tanks and buildings, and installed an underground slurry wall to keep remaining groundwater contamination from entering Elliott Bay.

Submerged lands

Historical and industrial practices and U.S. Navy operations contaminated the sediment (mud) under Elliott Bay at this site.

Our initial investigation found the following contaminants at levels of concern:

- Metals: Arsenic, copper, lead, mercury, and zinc—these can be toxic.
- Tributyltin—this is toxic.
- Polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs)—can cause cancer.
- Phthalates—harmful to reproduction.
- Semi-volatile organic compounds (SVOCs)—can cause cancer.
- Polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs)—some of these can cause cancer.
- Discarded military munitions (DMMs)—military munitions that have been abandoned without proper disposal or removed from storage for the purpose of disposal.

The cleanup process

The Port of Seattle has agreed to clean up the contamination at the site. There are six phases in the cleanup process: Remedial investigation, feasibility study, cleanup plan, cleanup design, cleanup implementation, and monitoring and site use controls. Interim actions or partial cleanups can occur at any time. The current comment period is for an interim action. There will be opportunities for public comment at each stage, except for cleanup implementation.

We apply both the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) and the Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA) regulations to clean up hazardous waste sites. The cleanup protects human health and the environment from dangerous wastes and chemicals.

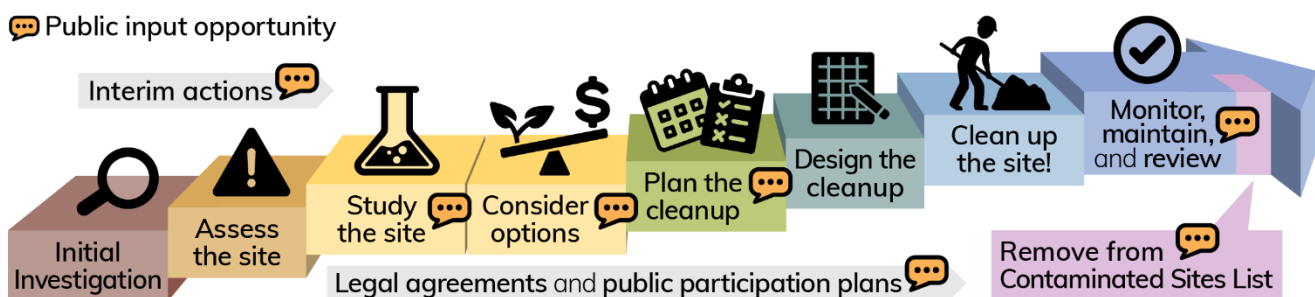


Figure 3: Washington's cleanup process. [Read a plain text version.](https://apps.ecology.wa.gov/publications/SummaryPages/1909166.html)¹

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Language Services

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What happens next?

The interim action public comment period is open from June 15–July 17, 2026. After the comment period ends, we'll review and consider all comments we receive. The documents may change based on your comments. After considering all comments, the documents will become final. When there are new documents about the site, we'll notify you about additional public comment periods.

Document review

How to view documents in person

In-person document review is available at these locations:

Washington State Department of Ecology

Northwest Region Office
15700 Dayton Ave N.
Shoreline, WA 98133-9716

Reception (24-hour): 206-594-0000

Appointments are encouraged. To schedule an appointment at Ecology, please contact:

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Magnolia Library | Seattle Public Library System

2801 34th Ave. W.
Seattle, WA 98199

Telephone: 206-386-4225

Website: [Magnolia Branch | The Seattle Public Library](#)²

No appointment needed.

How to view documents online

You can also review documents on our website: ecology.wa.gov/Terminal91Comment

Questions about accessing information?

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How to submit your comments

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² <https://www.spl.org/hours-and-locations/magnolia-branch>



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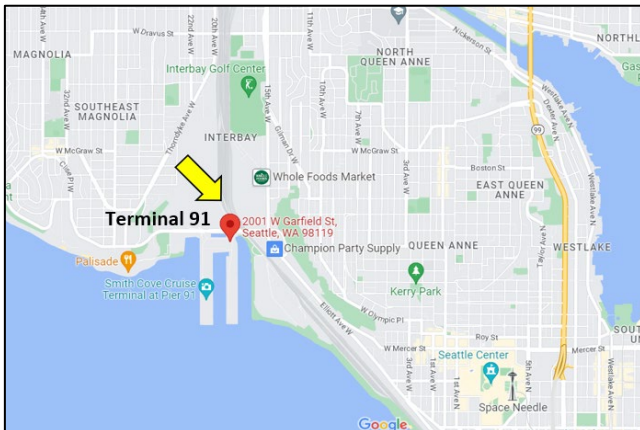


Figure 4: Google Map location of Terminal 91

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Ecology seeks your comments on a draft interim action and draft public participation plan for the Terminal 91 cleanup site in Seattle, Washington.

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