Investigation and Cleanup Planned for Summer Yakima Hops Site, Yakima, Washington

Yakima Hops, Inc. and Hop Union USA, Inc. are planning an environmental investigation and cleanup at the Yakima Hops site this summer. The work will be done under a legal agreement with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. Before work begins, EPA will review the companies' investigation and cleanup plans to make sure they comply with environmental regulations. Once the plans are final, the companies will begin sampling at the site to determine the extent of contamination, and then begin the cleanup.

Request a Public Meeting

If you would like to request a meeting to learn more about the site or to provide your input on the investigation and cleanup plans, contact Deborah Neal, EPA Community Involvement Coordinator, at 800-424-4372, by April 9, 2004.

About the Site

The 120-acre Yakima Hops site is within the boundaries of the Confederated Tribes and Bands of the Yakama Indian Nation Reservation. The site is located northwest of Mabton and south of Round Lake, near the intersection of Monroe Street and Sunnyside Road. From the early 1980s until 1999, site operators treated poles used in hop farming with wood preservatives. Five empty, in-ground dip tanks, which may have leaked in the past, remain at the site. Recent studies show that soil at the site is contaminated with pentachlorophenol (PCP), petroleum, and possibly, dioxins.

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Cleanup of contaminated soil at the Yakima Hops site is planned to begin this summer.

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