

North Lake Union Site

Cleanup Activities and Status

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Key Points

History

The majority of contamination at the site is from the storage and handling of oil by Chevron, formerly Standard Oil (deeper soil and groundwater, South Yard and part of the North Yard). Shallow soil contamination was mostly the result of sandblasting and painting by Metro Transit (North Yard).

1993	Metro completes site investigation
1995-97	Groundwater monitoring wells installed; wells on the site range from approximately 15 to 40 feet in depth.
1999	Metro enters into Consent Decree with Department of Ecology and Chevron Metro completes shallow soil cleanup Chevron begins groundwater and deep soil cleanup

Cleanup Status

Cleanup of shallow soils in the North Yard is complete.

Cleanup of deeper soils and groundwater is approximately 90 percent complete.

Next Steps

Residual petroleum contamination at the south end of the North Yard may require additional cleanup through 2005 with monitoring through approximately 2008.

The Department of Ecology is expected to issue a Notice of Completion on the cleanup of deeper soil and groundwater between 2007 and 2009 – sooner if a development proposal for the site requires excavation and removal of contaminated material.

The Consent Decree restricts future use of the property to industrial uses with the understanding that the Department of Ecology may approve other uses with additional cleanup.