

Port Gamble Bay Cleanup CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

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Clean capping materials staged at the mill site.



A large portion of the Former Log Transfer Facility, on a barge heading for disposal.



Pulled creosote pilings being processed for offsite disposal.

Please note that the site is closed to the public! You are welcome to observe from the Port Gamble bluff.

Initiation of in-water work for Season 2 began Monday, July 18th. The summer months of the construction season will be focused on pile pulling, demolishing old structures, intertidal excavation, capping during low tides, and capping a 61-acre area in the central bay south of the mill site. The stockpiling of clean capping material will continue throughout the construction season. This will at times result in significant truck traffic – as many as 30 round trips each day! Please be careful in town.

Important note: A shoreline access point in Port Gamble Heritage Park is temporarily closed while we remove the Former Log Transfer Facility. It is expected to re-open to the public near the first week of August. The park & trails on the west (upland) side of Highway 104 remain open as usual.

Port Gamble Bay Cleanup Season 2 activities completed or in process:

- 14,015 tons of sand have been stockpiled onsite.
- 1,649 tons of type 1 armor rock have been stockpiled onsite.
- 3,249 tons of filter material have been stockpiled onsite.
- 1424 tons of habitat substrate have been stockpiled onsite.
- 800 piles have been pulled since our June 16 start date.
- 150 tons of asphalt have been hauled offsite for recycling.
- Water quality monitoring has begun along with the pile pulling, with no exceedances to date.
- Demolition work began at the Former Log Transfer Facility on July 18th and includes some late night work. The work was anticipated to be completed the first week of August but may be completed sooner.

Some key planned actions during the next few weeks include:

- Vessel activity will be heaviest near the Former Log Transfer Facility, the north end of the mill site, and in the central bay south of the mill site.
- Beach debris clean-up will begin in former landfills 4A and 4B (just north of the Former Log Transfer Facility).

Questions or concerns?

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