

Port Gamble Bay Cleanup CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

Recent Activities: 06/15/2016

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

This is the first construction update for the new season of work, starting in June of 2016 and ending January 14, 2017. Updates will be forthcoming each week starting July 14, 2016. The summer months of the construction season will be focused on pile pulling, demolishing old structures and capping a 61-acre area in the central bay south of the mill site with approximately 32,894 cubic yards of clean material. We will also be doing some bank excavation and removing of riprap. In the fall and winter months, we will begin our dredging and follow-up capping in earnest, moving our work from south of the mill site to north of the mill site as the season progresses.

Port Gamble Bay Cleanup activities completed or in process:

- 16,345 turions of eelgrass were planted the first week of June.
- On-site construction management & stockpiling of capping materials will begin in June.

Some key planned actions during the next few weeks include:

- Cleanup contractor activity on site is gearing up in preparation for Season 2 cleanup construction.
- Equipment and barges will begin mobilizing to the site beginning June 10th.
- Pile pulling in the intertidal zone will begin June 15th.
- In-water cleanup construction work will begin July 18th.
- Piling and dock removal at the former log transfer facility will begin July 18th. This will require temporarily closing a small area within the Port Gamble Forest Heritage Park; the Park access point & parking that is adjacent to the shoreline (south and east of the trail access parking). We expect that partial closure to last approximately 3 weeks, but the upland trails will remain open. A sign will be posted during closure.
- Capping a 61-acre area in the central bay south of the mill site.
- Truck traffic will be increasing as we move further into the construction season – please be careful in town!
- **Caution**, the site has numerous construction hazards and will be closed to the public during the active construction season.

Questions or concerns? Project information line: 888-707-8663; email: info@PortGambleBayCleanup.com



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