

Port Gamble Bay Cleanup CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

Recent Activities: 09/23/15

Pope Resources' Contractor, Orion Marine Group (Orion) has prepared a series of documents that make up the required "Work Plan". These documents have been submitted to Ecology for review and approval. Once approved, Anchor QEA (Pope Resources' consultant) will issue the Notice to Proceed, allowing construction to begin. In the meantime, Orion is busy mobilizing on the site; perimeter fencing is nearly complete, equipment is being delivered, absorbent booms are onsite, and the creosote processing and wheel wash areas will soon be completed. Also last week, we obtained approval from the Army Corp of Engineers for the contractor to install a temporary transload bulkhead in the southern portion of the eastern wharf. This will allow the contractor to set up two separate locations for unloading and loading; one "clean" location to load capping material and a second location to unload contaminated material.

Cleanup construction is anticipated to begin on Monday, 9/28/15. Weekend and evening work will be necessary to stay on schedule.

Planned actions during the next few weeks include:

- Material and crane barges may arrive as soon as 9/25/15
- Marine float to arrive this week
- First cycle of pulling piles from land is proposed for 9/28/15 –10/5/15. This is nighttime work to allow piling removal work during low tides. Weekend work is planned to begin Oct 3-4
- Trucks will deliver sand to site for capping material
- Deliver and setup of transfer conveyor
- Construct eelgrass habitat mitigation bench (sand cap) planned for 10/2/15
- Harvest eelgrass from impacted areas, for in-tank storage over winter, and spring replanting
- Demolition of southern portion of the Eastern Wharf to allow for installation of temporary Transload facility, scheduled to start 10/5/15

Please note: **THE CONSTRUCTION SITE IS COMPLETELY CLOSED TO PUBLIC ACCESS.** If you have business on the site, you **MUST** check in at Orion's trailer, which is adjacent to the gate.



For questions or concerns, call the Port Gamble Bay Cleanup Information Line at 1-888-707-8663, email us at: info@portgamblebaycleanup.com or visit the project website at: www.portgamblebaycleanup.com. For additional information about the project, visit Ecology's website at: www.ecy.wa.gov/cleanup/3444.html.