



## NOTICE OF DETERMINATION OF NON-SIGNIFICANCE (DNS)

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**Project Name:** Former Shell Oil Tank Farm Site Cleanup Action

**Location:** The project site is generally located between 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> Streets and along Q Avenue, Section 19, Township 35 North, Range 2 East in Anacortes, Skagit County, Washington.

**Proponent:** Port of Anacortes

**Description of Proposal:**

The Port of Anacortes (Port) proposes to implement cleanup of a 0.6 acre upland property at the former Shell Oil Tank Farm site located within the City of Anacortes. Elevated levels of petroleum hydrocarbons, benzene, carcinogenic polynuclear aromatic hydrocarbons (cPAHs), and cadmium have been identified in soils on the site and are the result of historic uses of the property. The site is currently covered with a compact crushed gravel surface and used as a short-term parking area for vehicles and boat trailers associated with Cap Sante Marina. The site has been investigated under an agreed order from the Department of Ecology (Ecology), and a Remedial Investigation (RI) and Feasibility Study (FS) have been prepared under requirements of the Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA). The Port, in cooperation with Ecology, has prepared a Draft Cleanup Action Plan (DCAP), which describes the proposed cleanup project. Cleanup of the site is expected to last for approximately eight weeks, and after the project is complete, the site will be returned to the existing use as a short-term parking area. The project elements include:

- Excavate and remove approximately 3,000 cubic yards (cy) of contaminated soil and an additional approximately 1,000 cy of overburden from the site. Due to lack of space for separation of materials, excavated materials are expected to be transported off site for disposal at a permitted facility, in accordance with applicable regulations and disposal facility requirements.
- The areas where residual soil contamination remains in-place will be addressed by treatment with an oxygen-releasing material during backfilling activities, confirmation monitoring of groundwater, engineering controls (e.g. protective concrete, asphalt, or topsoil caps) and institutional controls (e.g. property covenants, signage, or other notification).
- Restore/finish upland ground surfaces with clean imported fill and crushed rock surfacing.
- Existing utility infrastructure (power, phone, sewer, water, etc.) on and adjacent to the site would remain undisturbed and protected in place during cleanup activities.
- To verify that the cleanup action is protective of groundwater, groundwater will be sampled via existing or replacement monitoring wells on a quarterly basis for four consecutive quarters. Additional groundwater sampling may be necessary if initial monitoring indicates the potential for contaminant transfer to groundwater.

**Lead Agency:** The lead agency under the State Environmental Policy Act is the Port of Anacortes.

**Determination:** As lead agency, the Port has determined that this proposal will not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of a completed SEPA environmental checklist and other supporting documents. This information is available to the public on request, and is available for review at the Port's administrative offices located at 100 Commercial Ave., Anacortes WA, 98221. The Port's office is open 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM on weekdays. The SEPA Checklist and complete DNS can also be reviewed on the Port's website: [www.portofanacortes.com](http://www.portofanacortes.com).

**Comment Period:** This DNS is issued under WAC 197-11-340; the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 30 days from the date of publication listed below. Agencies, Tribes, and members of the public are invited to comment on the DNS. Written comments must be received within the thirty day period at the address provided below:

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Comments may also be submitted to the Port by E-mail: [becky@portofanacortes.com](mailto:becky@portofanacortes.com)

Comments will not otherwise be accepted by telephone or personal conversation.

**Concurrent public comment period under MTCA:** The Department of Ecology is inviting comments on the drafts of the DCAP, Consent Decree, RI and FS, and Public Participation Plan for this site. The DCAP describes the recommended cleanup and restoration actions for the Site and follow-up monitoring requirements. Additional information about the MTCA process and public comment period may be found at: <https://fortress.wa.gov/ecy/gsp/Sitepage.aspx?csid=4846>.

**Publication date:** December 6, 2013

Signed and dated this 4<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2013 by Robert W. Hyde, Port of Anacortes SEPA Responsible Official

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Robert W. Hyde  
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