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Sent: Saturday, August 3, 2019 9:56 PM
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Subject: Bellingham's Waterfront Cleanup Action Plan

To Washington State Department of Ecology;

I'm a concerned citizen and I am commenting on the clean up of Bellingham's Central Waterfront Site. I believe that the Cleanup Action Plan is not appropriate. I believe there should be more in-depth cleanup of more sites; especially the smaller, non-continuous spots to the North and South of the already asphalted area.

I also believe that you should hold at least 1 if not 2 open public meetings for more public comment on this important and long lasting action plan that leaves too much contaminated soil in the ground by capping instead of removal. Your website says the DOE will hold such a meeting if you get 10 requests.

Currently, Bellingham has serious political races occurring for City, County and State Representation. The limited 30 day window for public comment is not enough during this incredibly busy and important time. As such, please hold an extended comment period and an open public meeting on this issue essential to the future of Bellingham.

Sincerely,

Betsy Gross