

ENVIRONMENTAL Fact Sheet



Ketchikan Pulp Company Site

Ketchikan, Alaska

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Ward Cove Sediment Cleanup: Monitoring Complete, Objectives Achieved

Monitoring of the Ward Cove Sediment Remediation Project is now complete. Environmental data show that healthy communities of bottom-dwelling organisms are living in the sediments, and the toxicity of sediments has been reduced.



Cleanup goals in Ward Cove have been met. Healthy communities of bottom-dwelling organisms are now living in the cove's sediments. Sediment toxicity has been reduced.

The 2000-2001 cleanup in Ward Cove focused on bottom sediments that were contaminated by releases from the former Ketchikan Pulp Company (KPC) facility. Crews dredged about three acres of contaminated sediments in front of the main dock facility, and about one acre near the cove's northeast corner. About 27 acres of contaminated sediments were covered with clean sand. Fifty acres of contaminated sediments were allowed to recover naturally.

Regular monitoring of the sediments has taken place since the cleanup was completed. Results show that cleanup goals have been met. Environmental conditions have greatly improved. Findings show that no further monitoring is necessary.

A copy of the "2007 Monitoring Report for Sediment Remediation in Ward Cove" is available for viewing at the Ketchikan Public Library, or online.

Cleanup work on land at the KPC site was successfully completed in 2000. A site wide review in 2005 found that the cleanups and controls are working and that people and the environment are protected. The second five-year review for the KPC site will be performed in 2010.

For more information...

Select documents related to the KPC Project can be found at these locations:

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Ketchikan ADEC Office
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