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Re: Institutional Controls (ICs) Verification for: **'Cube Cove Logging Camp' site;**
Northwest Admiralty Island: Sections 28-29 of T45S, R66E & Sections 10 & 25, T46S, R66E

The Contaminated Sites Program conducts periodic verification of closed sites where institutional controls (land use restrictions) are required under 18 AAC 75.375. We have identified 'Cube Cove Logging Camp' as a site with institutional controls.

Shee Atika should be aware that there are ongoing obligations for this site.

In order to prevent people from being exposed to any remaining contamination on the property, **this letter is being sent as a reminder** of the conditions placed on the property as part of the 2008 Cleanup Complete Determination granted by the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC). At the time of closure, soil contamination was documented as remaining on the property. The contamination is from use of the site as a logging camp and log transfer facility from 1984 until 2002.

Please be advised that the Cube Cove Logging Camp site is subject to the following standard and site-specific conditions and/or institutional controls:

1. The recorded deed notice that Atikon Forest Products and Shee Atika, Inc. have filed with the State Recorder's Office in Juneau states that as a precautionary measure, any future groundwater or surface water sources within the cleanup areas used for drinking water should be first tested to confirm that ADEC drinking water standards are met.
2. The recorded deed notice also identifies the following precautions and steps to be followed, if residual contaminated soil above the most stringent cleanup criteria are excavated and/or relocated to another location:
 - a. Excavated soil or groundwater with residual contamination will not be re-deposited on wetlands or within 100' of surface water.
 - b. Precautions are to be taken to assure complete containment during the relocation of off-site transport of soil with residual contamination.
 - c. Any excavated soil with residual contamination is to be re-deposited where they are unlikely to be disturbed by future activity.

3. As a result of the recorded deed notice, ADEC hereby provides approval under 18 AAC 75.325(i) for any future transport of soil and/or groundwater with residual contamination above the most stringent cleanup criteria.
4. Any future change in land use may impact the exposure assumptions cited in the 2008 Notice of Environmental Contamination. If land use changes, current institutional controls may not be protective and ADEC may require additional remediation and/or institutional controls. Therefore, Shee Atika Incorporated will report to ADEC every five years to document land use, or as soon as there is any change in land ownership and/or use. The report can be sent to the local ADEC office or submitted electronically to CS.Submittals@alaska.gov.
5. ADEC approval is required prior to moving any soil or groundwater off any site that is subject to the site cleanup rules [see 18 AAC 75.325(i)]. A “site” [as defined by 18 AAC 75.990 (115)] means an area that is contaminated, including areas contaminated by the migration of hazardous substances from a source area, regardless of property ownership. In the future, if soil will be excavated it must be characterized and managed following regulations applicable at that time and ADEC approval must be obtained before moving the soil off the property. *This is a standard condition.*
6. Movement or use of contaminated material in a manner that results in a violation of 18 AAC 70 water quality standards is prohibited. *This is a standard condition.*
7. Groundwater throughout Alaska is protected for use as a water supply for drinking, culinary and food processing, agriculture including irrigation and stock watering, aquaculture, and industrial use. Contaminated site cleanup complete determinations are based on groundwater being considered a potential drinking water source. In the event that groundwater from this site is to be used for other purposes in the future, such as aquaculture, additional characterization and treatment may be required to ensure the water is suitable for its intended use. *This is a standard condition.*

In addition to the conditions above, you are required to notify the ADEC if there are any changes in land use or ownership. Failure to maintain these requirements may result in re-opening the site by the Contaminated Sites Program, in which case, further remediation could be mandatory.

In accordance with 18 AAC 75.380(d)(2), ADEC may require additional site assessment, monitoring, remediation, and/or necessary actions at this facility should new information become available that indicates contamination at this site may pose a threat to human health or the environment.

If you seek to have the institutional controls removed from this site, you can choose at any time to voluntarily conduct additional assessment, monitoring or further cleanup to demonstrate that contamination at the site now meets the applicable cleanup levels under 18 AAC 75.

This site information is a matter of public record and is available through ADEC’s online database record at: <http://dec.alaska.gov/Applications/SPAR/PublicMVC/CSP/SiteReport/2974>

The ADEC will issue a reminder letter such as this on a scheduled basis, every five years. If you have any questions regarding this site, please contact me at (907) 465-5229 and I will be glad to assist you.

Shee Atika Incorporated;
Cube Cove Logging Camp

June 18, 2024

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Evonne Reese". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "E".

Evonne Reese
Environmental Program Specialist
Institutional Controls Unit

Encl: 2008 Cleanup Complete Determination
2008 Recorded Deed Notice