

# Public Participation in the Georgia-Pacific Mill Site Clean Up Project

## Community Advisory Group

### Meeting #6 agenda

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Thursday, September 8, 2022  
4 – 5:30 p.m.

#### **Online meeting**

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#### **Meeting objectives**

- Provide updates on the Washington State Department of Ecology process
- Debrief Camas Days and Wings and Wheels events
- Prepare for Camas Farmers' Market event
- Review updated FAQ document
- Discuss next steps

| Time      | Agenda item                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Presenter                                                                                                                                              |
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| 4 p.m.    | <b>Opening</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Welcome and introductions</li><li>• Agenda review</li><li>• Approve minutes of the July 14, 2022, meeting</li></ul>                                                | <b>Abbi Russell</b> , Facilitator, MFA<br><b>CAG members</b>                                                                                           |
| 4:10 p.m. | <b>Washington State Department of Ecology process updates</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Introductions</li><li>• Process update</li></ul>                                                                    | <b>Caroline Mercury</b> , DCA<br><b>Shingo Yamazaki and Mady Lyon</b> , Ecology<br><b>Alan Hughes</b> , Principal Geologist, MFA<br><b>CAG members</b> |
| 4:25 p.m. | <b>Debrief Camas Days and Wings and Wheels events, prep for Farmers Market event</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Engagement summary</li><li>• Dot survey results</li><li>• Farmers market logistics</li></ul> | <b>ZZ Lundburg</b> , Communications Specialist, MFA<br><b>CAG members</b>                                                                              |
| 4:45 p.m. | <b>Review updated FAQ document</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Question and answer</li></ul>                                                                                                                  | <b>Abbi Russell</b> , Facilitator, MFA<br><b>Alan Hughes</b> , Principal Geologist, MFA<br><b>CAG members</b>                                          |
| 5:15 p.m. | <b>Next steps and open discussion</b>                                                                                                                                                                                     | <b>Abbi Russell</b> , Facilitator, MFA                                                                                                                 |
| 5:30 p.m. | <b>Adjourn</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                                                                                                                                        |

## Public Participation in the Georgia-Pacific Mill Site Clean Up Project

### Community Advisory Group

| Community Advisory Group Members                                      | Technical Team                                                   |
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| Caroline Mercury, Chair and Downtown Camas Association Past President | Carrie Schulstad, Executive Director, Downtown Camas Association |
| April Berlin, Community Member                                        | Will Henderson, Maul Foster & Alongi                             |
| Marquita Call, Community Member                                       | Emily Hess, Maul Foster & Alongi                                 |
| Kalani Cox, Community Member                                          | Alan Hughes, Maul Foster & Alongi                                |
| Isaac Dizon, Community Member                                         | Makenzie "ZZ" Lundburg, Maul Foster & Alongi                     |
| Randal Friedman, Community Member                                     | Abbi Russell, Maul Foster & Alongi                               |
| Tim Hein, City of Camas                                               |                                                                  |
| Leslie Lewallen, City of Camas                                        |                                                                  |
| Mark Nickerson, Community Member                                      |                                                                  |
| David Ripp, Port of Camas-Washougal                                   |                                                                  |
| Marty Snell, Community Member                                         |                                                                  |
| Steve Young, Community Member                                         |                                                                  |

## Downtown Camas Association – Public Participation in the Georgia-Pacific Mill Site Clean Up Project



Meeting minutes: Community Advisory Group Meeting #5

Thursday, July 14, 2022 | 4 – 5:30 p.m.

### **Meeting Attendees**

#### **Community Advisory Group (CAG) Members:**

- Caroline Mercury, Chair
- Leslie Lewallen, City of Camas
- Marty Snell
- April Berlin
- Randal Friedman
- Isaac Dizon
- Marquita Call
- Commissioner Larry Keister, Port of Camas Washougal (substitute for David Ripp)
- Steve Young
- Kalani Cox

#### **Maul Foster & Alongi (MFA) Members:**

- Meaghan Pollock
- Will Henderson
- ZZ Lundburg

#### **Downtown Camas Association (DCA) Members:**

- Carrie Schulstad, Executive Director

### **Meeting Purpose and Topics:**

Meeting objectives included:

- Provide updates on the Washington State Department of Ecology process
- Prepare for Camas Day Event on July 22
- Discuss additional summer events and CAG participation
- Review FAQ document
- Discuss next steps

### **Agenda**

#### **Opening**

- Welcome and introductions
- Agenda review
- Approve minutes of the May 12, 2022, meeting

## **Washington State Department of Ecology process**

- Updates
- Question and answer

## **Prepare for Camas Days event**

- Event logistics
- Materials
- Dot survey question

## **Review FAQ document**

- Question and answer

## **CAG participation in summer events**

- Upcoming/proposed events

## **Next steps and open discussion**

[The full meeting agenda can be found online.](#)

### **Meeting Minutes:**

*Meeting began at 4:02 p.m.*

**Opening: Will Henderson, MFA**, welcomed meeting attendees and introduced Meaghan Pollock, MFA who will be stepping as technical support. MFA staff also walked through the proposed agenda for the meeting.

The CAG members reviewed the minutes of the May 12, 2022, meeting.

Marty Snell, CAG member, mentioned that DOE has dropped the word “state” from their name and staff confirmed they would make that change and continue going forward.

The CAG members approved the minutes of the May 12, 2022, meeting.

**Washington State Department of Ecology process: Caroline Mercury, CAG Chair**, shared that she corresponded with Shingo Yamazaki with the Department of Ecology (DOE). Shingo shared that his position has been filled and he will be moving departments shortly after onboarding the new person. Shingo also informed Caroline that once the new DOE contact is onboarded, he will set up an introductory meeting. Shingo shared that he is finishing up comments for GP and will have the new DOE employee review them and edit before passing along. The final comments are expected to be complete and sent in the next few weeks.

**Prepare for Camas Days event: ZZ Lundburg, MFA**, led the discussion around the upcoming event.

Carrie Schulstad, DCA Executive Director, gave a brief overview of Camas Days and shared that it is a large event and draws people back to Camas from all over the county. Carrie walked the group through the event and explained the different daily activities as well as why it is such a beloved Camas addition.

ZZ explained that the set up will be similar to the last event at the Camas Plant Fair. Setup will include a booth, tables and the same materials including displays, comment cards, rack cards and dot exercise used to gather public feedback. She also mentioned that there are two volunteer spots open for CAG members to staff the event and speak to the public from 5 p.m. – 7 p.m.

Randal Friedman, CAG member, said he will be at other booths during the event, but will try to stop by.

Leslie Lewallen, CAG member, said she would volunteer, but is volunteering for the Chamber as well as Rotary.

April Berlin, CAG member, said she is planning to be out of town during that time, but would let the group know if her plans change.

ZZ displayed an online Mural Board with the dot exercise from the last event including question and multiple answers. She asked the Group if they had any suggestions for changing the question or answer for the Camas Days event.

Caroline Mercury, CAG Chair, mentioned that there is a broader scope of people attending Camas Days, so it would likely be okay to repeat the question. She asked to change one of the responses from “Getting my Input” to “Public Outreach.”

April Berlin, CAG member, agreed with changing “Getting my Input,” noting that it received the least number of dots at the plant fair and mentioned people said that the outreach events are already generating their feedback.

**FAQ Document: Will Henderson, MFA**, shared a document that was developed following the last outreach event and answers Frequently Asked Questions recorded from that May 7<sup>th</sup> Plant Fair event and broader outreach. He also mentioned that the FAQs would be a living document that can be updated as needed.

Meaghan Pollock, MFA, added that she will track types of questions received at Camas Days so that they can be incorporated into this document.

Randal Friedman, CAG member, felt the FAQ document needed something that alluded to why a future vision is important. He proposed something similar to, “How are future land uses being incorporated?” He thought that there might not be enough content in the document to make people pay attention, and that it is a good opportunity to bring up the fact that the city is starting a city sub-area plan that will guide the cleanup. Caroline Mercury responded that while we don’t know the future of the property, the potential future use does guide to what level we will get it cleaned and impacts the process. Staff will incorporate something that makes it clearer.

Randal Friedman, CAG member, added that the question could be “Are future land uses considered as part of the process?” The answer doesn’t have to be specific, but can specify that what happens will not be constrained by clean up levels. Caroline Mercury said they will incorporate something about the sub-area plan as a consideration for future uses.

Steve Young, CAG member, suggested adding PFAS to the list of chemical families listed in question 5 on the FAQ document, as related materials were used in various specialty papers. Staff confirmed addition.

Marty Snell, CAG member, asked if it would be appropriate to have a question similar to, "What is Ecology's role in this?" He added that it is important for people to understand their role in the project. Staff confirmed addition.

Leslie Lewallen, CAG member, suggested adding a question that helps guide community members toward education about the history of the mill and surrounding property. She added that she would like to explain that the parcels require different levels of clean up, have different owners, and have different current and future uses. She feels it's important for the community to understand the differences between the site's current state and need for parcels, and that Ecology's role dovetails into that. She acknowledged that the future is unknown, but education is important as Camas moves forward with sub-area plan. She suggested that the CAG could work with GP to handle properties that are being sold or are no longer in use. Thereafter, the public could be educated about parcels which are critical to existing operations.

Marquita Call, CAG member, responded that parcel information is GP's call and does not have anything to do with what the CAG is doing. The information isn't under the CAG's purview and if GP chose to cease more operations, it is unclear who would be responsible for clean-up.

Caroline Mercury, CAG Chair, proposed that a map designating operational vs. idle areas would be a useful tool. She added that this map could be useful in understanding big picture items, like how big the area is or what is operating without being too speculative on future uses. Staff confirmed that they would look into it and develop in the future.

Marquita Call, CAG member, said that she has been broad and vague in explaining future use, but is looking for accurate language. Will Henderson mentioned that the CAG has partner packets with this information, and Caroline stated that she will send it to Marquita.

Caroline Mercury, CAG Chair, clarified that currently the DCA only knows the current state of the mill area and the future of the site is unclear. However, she emphasized that someday, the city and other stakeholders may have input on future use. She continued that in the past, the mill has sold off a variety of parcels which are now part of the broader Camas and Washougal city space.

Steve Young said that a question he has received is: "If GP does close the mill, what is the community doing about funding the acquisition?" He asked if the DCA was seeking grants or other funding from the state or federal sources to acquire property in an effort to keep it together, rather than having the area carved up and pieced off if it doesn't fit into our future vision. Caroline Mercury said that the DCA currently has nothing in the works that is focused on future funding.

Leslie Lewallen, CAG member, agreed with what Steve said and added that while GP operations are not the group's decision, the history of Camas comes into play. She continued that she hopes the committee will consider a plan to keep the property together and utilize the sub-area plan. She suggested that a blueprint that could be utilized when visioning occurs, along with an educational component that incorporates Camas' mill town history. She emphasized the hope to coordinate and make sure there isn't a "jigsaw event."

Caroline Mercury, CAG Chair, clarified that the current scope of the CAG is limited to the community engagement in clean-up process, but it is likely appropriate to include feedback regarding the public's visioning hopes to Ecology. She said they have heard a strong narrative

from the public that they are happy this is occurring and are interested in what entities (City/Port/etc.) can influence what comes next.

Carrie Schulstad, DCA Executive Director, agreed that making sure that other stakeholders know that the community is interested in the future of the site is important. She also added that currently the sub-area plan does not include the mill property.

Isaac Dizon, CAG member, asked when the sub-area plan was happening. Carrie Schulstad responded that the plan will start early next year.

Caroline Mercury, CAG Chair, thanked the group for their feedback and mentioned that they will try to incorporate the changes as soon as possible, but due to the long review process, they may have to use the current document for Camas Days and update the FAQ after the event.

Marquita Call, CAG member, expressed her gratitude to the DCA for the work of the committee as a strong voice to stand up for Camas.

**CAG participation in summer events: Will Henderson, MFA** reviewed the upcoming summer events for CAG involvement. The events are as follows:

- **Camas Days**
  - July 22, 3 p.m. to 7 p.m.
- **Wheels and Wings**
  - August 27 from 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.
- **Camas Farmers Market**
  - September 14 from 3 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Carrie Schulstad, DCA Executive Director, said that the DCA has distributed rack cards in all the identified languages at the library and post office. She also confirmed that the DCA printed more cards for the Camas Days event and reminded the group of the partner toolkits to use as talking points when speaking to folks in the community.

Marquita Call, CAG member, requested the partner toolkit be sent to her.

**Open Discussion: Randal Friedman, CAG member**, asked if the DCA anticipated applying for another Public Participation Grant. Caroline Mercury responded that she is not sure how this cycle goes and it will depend on where the CAG is at that time and if there is still a need.

Ken Lederman, legal counsel for the DCA, explained that there was no guarantee of further grants, but emphasized that if the group is showing progress, then that would improve the chances. Caroline Mercury added that if there is still work to be done, Ecology would likely want them to continue. Carrie Schulstad added that the group was approved for funding for their second year, and they are in a good place.

April Berlin, CAG member, asked if the rack cards had a QR code and if the QR code would be available at the summer events. Caroline Mercury confirmed yes on both questions.

Leslie Lewallen, CAG member mentioned historical education opportunities for the community and recommended that it be incorporated into the outreach. Caroline Mercury responded that

there is a lot of history available on website and walking tour but could be added to the project website as well.

Carrie Schulstad, DCA Executive Director suggested giving people more avenues to sign up to join the newsletter besides comment cards, as they received a limited number. Caroline Mercury suggested a sign-up sheet for emails. MFA staff confirmed they will create.

Carrie Schulstad, DCA Executive Director asked about the barrier MFA was encountering when attempting to coordinate tabling outreach at the local Safeway stores. Will explained that as of now, it has been difficult to confirm schedules, but he will follow up with the local MFA team and try to move forward.

Carrie Schulstad, DCA Executive Director emphasized that this opportunity was really valuable, and she hopes that it will be possible.

**Next Steps: Will Henderson, MFA,** wrapped up the meeting and went over next steps:

- The CAG will receive a list of proposed events for summer 2022. Once approved, MFA will coordinate sign ups via email.
- The next CAG meeting will be on September 8 from 4 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.
- Look forward to seeing everyone

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*Meeting adjourned at 4:53 p.m.*

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## **CONTACT INFORMATION AND RESOURCES**

Sign up for email updates and learn more at: [www.downtowncamas.com/camaswamillinfo](http://www.downtowncamas.com/camaswamillinfo)

Email questions and comments to Caroline Mercury, DCA Past President:  
[camaswamillinfo@downtowncamas.com](mailto:camaswamillinfo@downtowncamas.com)

Read and review the draft Remedial Investigation Work Plan:  
<https://apps.ecology.wa.gov/gsp/Sitepage.aspx?%20csid=15156>

## Frequently Asked Questions

### About the GP Mill Cleanup



More than a century of industrial activity at the Georgia-Pacific (GP) pulp and paper mill in Camas has led to potential contamination in soil, sediment, and groundwater in and around the mill site. Contamination may have occurred due to regular operations, spills, or leaks.

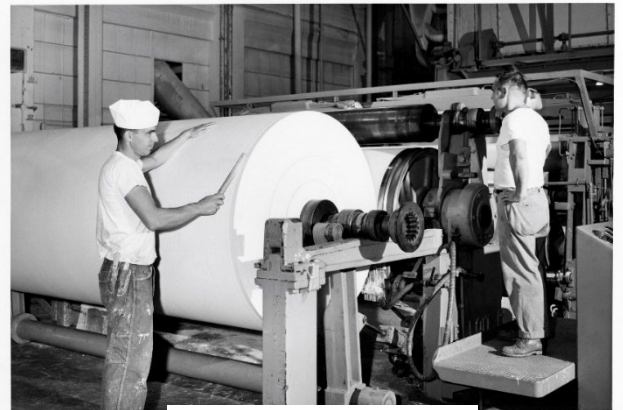
GP and Washington Department of Ecology (Ecology) have entered an Agreed Order to assess areas around the mill site that are no

longer in use, while the mill continues to operate and employ people in our communities. Based on findings of this investigation, GP and Ecology may determine that interim actions are needed to clean up portions of the mill site.

### About the Mill

#### 1. How long has the mill been around and why is it important?

The Columbia River Paper Company was started in 1884, and in 1885 began producing newsprint from local timber, straw, and rags, at the site that is now operated by GP. The mill started making paper from wood pulp in 1892 and was the first western mill to do this. It produced newsprint until 1930 when it stopped due to cheaper Canadian production. By removing newspaper manufacturing, Camas was able to become the largest specialty mill in the world. The mill is currently operated by GP, which continues to make paper from purchased pulp.



*Camas Mill employees in 1940*

The mill has been an active part of our community for over a century, and the site continues to be key for Camas and the region. Learn more about the mill and Camas's history at: [www.downtowncamas.com/dca/history](http://www.downtowncamas.com/dca/history).

#### 2. What's going on with the Georgia-Pacific Mill and why is it being cleaned up?

Operations at the mill continue on its main site. GP has not shared plans to stop current work at the mill.

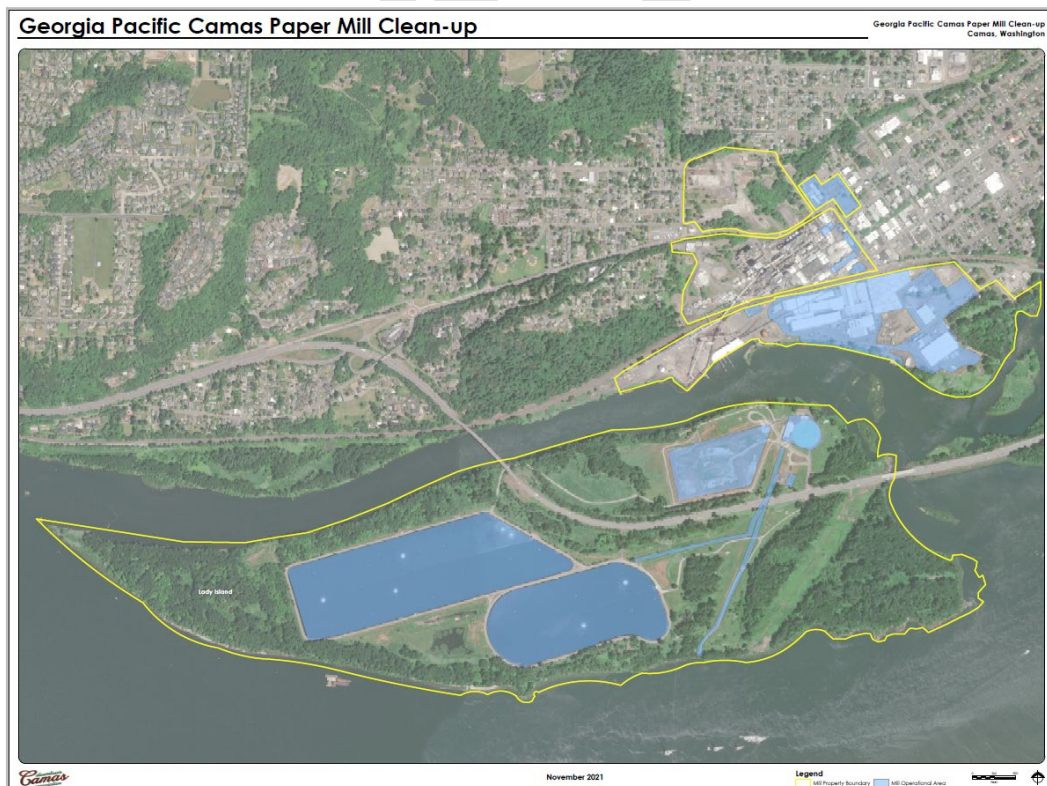
In August 2021, Ecology and GP negotiated and consented to [an Agreed Order](#) for GP to investigate potential contamination and evaluate how to clean up areas around the mill site that are no longer in use. GP will pay for and conduct the investigation and/or cleanup activities in accordance with Washington State's Cleanup Law, the Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA).

### 3. Will operations at the mill be shutting down as a part of this process?

GP continues to operate a paper mill on the main site and has not shared plans to stop current operations. The mill is significant to the life and culture of our communities, and the Downtown Camas Association and the Community Advisory Group (CAG) respect its rich history and role as an economic driver for thousands of families.

### 4. How big is the mill?

The site occupies approximately 661 acres, consisting of 476 acres on Lady Island and 159 acres on the upland side, north of the Camas Slough. The site contains numerous structures that support mill operations.



*The image above denotes the GP Camas Paper Mill property and clean up area. The mill property is outlined in yellow; the current mill operational areas are shaded in blue.*

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## About the Cleanup/Property

### 5. How long will the cleanup process take?

The cleanup process may take decades to complete. GP is currently investigating portions of the site that are not being used for current operations. Based on findings of this investigation, GP and Ecology may agree that interim actions are needed to clean up portions of the property. It's important to note that the investigation process can be iterative: multiple rounds of investigation may be required to define the nature and extent of contamination and to provide sufficient information to complete cleanup. Dates are approximate and subject to change based on Ecology's cleanup process, which is implemented according to the Washington State Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA). Anticipated major project milestones include:

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| <b>January 2022</b>     | GP provided a <a href="#">draft Remedial Investigation Work Plan</a> (a plan that outlines a scope of work to investigate the property for potential environmental impacts and includes a plan for the collection of data in a variety of media to characterize site conditions, the types of waste, and containments, and evaluates risks to human health and the environment) to Ecology for review. Ecology also provided the <a href="#">draft Remedial Investigation Work Plan</a> to the CAG for public review and comment. |
| <b>March 2022</b>       | DCA submitted <a href="#">CAG comments</a> and public comments on the draft Remedial Investigation Work Plan to Ecology.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |
| <b>Summer 2022</b>      | Ecology expected to provide final comments on the draft Remedial Investigation Work Plan to GP.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>Late Summer 2022</b> | GP expected to provide the final Remedial Investigation Work Plan to Ecology.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>Fall/Winter 2022</b> | GP expected to perform remedial investigation field work and prepare the Remedial Investigation Report.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| <b>Winter 2023</b>      | GP expected to provide the Remedial Investigation Report to Ecology for draft agency review.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| <b>Fall 2024</b>        | Ecology expected to provide GP with comments on draft agency review of Remedial Investigation Report.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <b>Late 2024</b>        | Ecology expected to provide public review of Remedial Investigation Report.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |

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| <b>Early 2025</b> | <p>If Ecology and GP determine through the remedial investigation process that interim action is warranted, they will start to work through the process to complete cleanup. This process includes a draft and final Interim Action Work Plan.</p> <p>The Agreed Order does not define the timelines for these documents or the start of any warranted interim actions.</p> |
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#### **6. What is Ecology's role in the cleanup process?**

Ecology will oversee and approve the work GP completes through the formal cleanup process to make sure that the activities are consistent with the Washington State Model Toxics Control Act (MTCA). Ecology also implements public outreach activities that are specified in MTCA, in addition to supporting engagement efforts made by the Downtown Camas Association.

Ecology has no role in establishing what the future use of the site will be. Decisions regarding zoning and future land use are established by the mill and the City of Camas (local planning authority). How the land will be used in the future is one factor in Ecology's determination of the required clean up levels. If future use other than industrial is established by the owner and the city, then Ecology will manage cleanup to levels based on that purpose.

#### **7. What is Georgia Pacific's (GP's) role in the cleanup process?**

GP entered an Agreed Order with Ecology to assess areas around the mill site that are no longer in use, while the mill continues to operate and employ people in our communities. The Agreed Order requires GP to conduct a remedial investigation where there has been a release or threatened release of hazardous substances and perform interim actions, as needed. The Agreed Order also requires that GP be present at meetings and available to answer the public's questions at the request of Ecology.

GP will be expected to perform remedial investigation field work, prepare the Remedial Investigation Report, and prepare a draft and final Interim Action Work Plan for any interim action performed.

#### **8. What are the contaminants that should be cleaned up?**

The mill will be required to address areas where chemicals pose an unacceptable risk to humans and/or ecological organisms through cleanup or other controls. Based on historical land use and industrial practices at the site, soil, groundwater, and/or sediment could be contaminated with total petroleum hydrocarbons from diesel, gasoline, and oil. Other contaminants may include:

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- Polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) and carcinogenic PAHs.
- Benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, and xylenes.
- Polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs).
- Per- and Polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS)
- Metals (lead and chromium).
- Dioxins and furans.
- Trichloroethylene (TCE) and tetrachloroethylene (PCE).

**9. Are there any existing health risks that I should be aware of?**

The planned remedial investigations will help understand what chemicals are present and how they could affect human health and the environment. There are state and national tools you can use to learn more about environmental health in your community.

- Washington Health Tracker: <https://doh.wa.gov/data-statistical-reports/washington-tracking-network-wtn/information-location>

**10. What is happening with the Camas Business Center?**

Also owned by GP and included in the Site definition in the Agreed Order is a parcel north of the main mill site. This property is called the [Camas Business Center \(CBC\)](#). GP historically used this site for research activities and manufacturing chemicals for the paper-making process. The DCA and CAG are not aware of GP's plans for this property. Additional assessment activities are included in the remedial investigation, as this property has been used in mill operations in the past.

**11. What will happen with the mill property in the future? Are there redevelopment plans that are being considered?**

There are no known redevelopment plans for the mill property. GP continues to operate a paper mill on the main site and has not shared plans to stop current operations.

Unrelated to the mill cleanup process, the City of Camas is launching Phase 2 of the North Shore Subarea plan, which includes recommendations for new zoning and comprehensive plan designations and new design and zoning standards to guide the development in the North Shore. Learn more at: [www.cityofcamas.us/com-dev/page/city-camas-launches-phase-2-north-shore-subarea-plan](http://www.cityofcamas.us/com-dev/page/city-camas-launches-phase-2-north-shore-subarea-plan). This process may provide insight to possible future land uses and will inform cleanup approaches.

**12. Is the GP Camas Mill considered a Superfund site?**

No, the GP Camas Mill is not a Superfund site.

[Superfund](#) sites are [polluted](#) locations in the United States requiring a long-term response to clean up [hazardous material](#) that are overseen by [United States Environmental Protection Agency](#) (EPA). They were designated under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) of 1980. CERCLA authorized EPA to create a list of such locations, which are placed on the [National Priorities List](#) (NPL). The Agreed Order is with the Department of Ecology, state agency and not the EPA.

## Community Involvement

### 13. What is the Community Advisory Group (CAG) and what is its role in the cleanup process?

Ecology implements public outreach activities that are specified in MTCA. Downtown Camas Association's CAG works to enhance these activities and spread the word about opportunities for community involvement.



As a part of the public participation process, the DCA has convened a CAG to get the community involved early in the cleanup process that GP will implement over the coming years.

The CAG was established in December 2021 and consists of [14 members](#). CAG meetings will occur every other month until June 2023 and are open for the public to observe. Meeting dates and links can be found on the [DCA website](#).

The CAG's role is to:

- Supervise the DCA's public involvement in consultant's work
- Provide recommendations on community outreach strategies
- Encourage opportunities for public involvement in the cleanup process
- Review technical materials and respond to Ecology and GP regarding the sampling and cleanup planning process, findings, and resulting plans.

### 14. How can I get involved and/or ask questions?

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DCA's goal is to provide the public with regular opportunities to learn about investigation and cleanup and have input on this process to better inform Ecology of the community's desired outcome for the site.

There are many different opportunities to engage with and participate in the cleanup process. Members of the public will be able to attend public meetings and events, receive email notifications, and visit the regularly updated project website.

The DCA's website, [www.downtowncamas.com/CamasWaMillInfo](http://www.downtowncamas.com/CamasWaMillInfo), is your go-to place for information related to this process and where you can [sign up for regular email updates](#). Visit the site and watch [DCA's Facebook account](#) for updates and event announcements.

We welcome your feedback on the GP cleanup process. Send your comments and questions to:

- Email: [camaswamillinfo@downtowncamas.com](mailto:camaswamillinfo@downtowncamas.com)
- Phone: 360-904-0218
- Website: [www.downtowncamas.com/camaswamillinfo](http://www.downtowncamas.com/camaswamillinfo)