

**United States Environmental Protection Agency
Region X
POLLUTION REPORT**

Date: Wednesday, May 18, 2005

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Subject: First and Final POLREP

Lake Tapps Abandoned Drums

Edwards Road South of 10th Street, Lake Tapps, WA

Latitude: 47.2473400

Longitude: -122.1497400

POLREP No.:	1	Site #:	
Reporting Period:		D.O. #:	
Start Date:	5/17/2005	Response Authority:	CERCLA
Mob Date:	5/17/2005	Response Type:	Emergency
Demob Date:	5/17/2005	NPL Status:	Non NPL
Completion Date:	5/20/2005	Incident Category:	Removal Action
CERCLIS ID #:		Contract #	05-05-006
RCRIS ID #:			

Site Description

At 1313 on May 17, 2005, EPA was requested by the Washington State Department of Ecology and the East Pierce County Fire Department to characterize and provide minor containment of two 55 plastic drums that were left in a roadside ditch near Lake Tapps. The drums were found on Edwards Road south of 10th street on the northeast corner of Lake Tapps in Pierce County, Washington.

Current Activities

As the East Pierce County Fire Department assisted by providing traffic control, the field team found two plastic drums that appeared to be full an unknown liquid. Using field analytical techniques, the field team characterized the contents of the drums to rule out whether the liquids could be considered as hazardous.

Planned Removal Actions

Once the contents were ruled safe for transport, a hazardous materials contractor was contacted to pick up the drums for proper treatment, storage, and disposal.

Next Steps

The scene was deemed secure by 1900.

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