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# Taylor Way and Alexander Ave. Fill Area Project Authorization Increase

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#### Request



Request project authorization increase in the amount of \$300,000 for a total authorization of \$1,667,000 for work associated with the Taylor Way and Alexander Avenue Fill Area (TWAAFA), Master Identification No. 101082.01.

### Background



- The Port purchased three properties adjacent to a former landfill.
- Hazardous substances from Occidental Chemical and General Metals were placed in the landfill.
- Dangerous Waste facilities were developed on the landfill and released hazardous substances.
- The Port's liability is tied to property ownership not releases of hazardous substances.

### **Background**



- The Port entered into a Joint Defense and Cost Sharing Agreement (JDA) with three other Potentially Liable Parties (PLPs) to develop a workplan and negotiate an agreed order.
- The JDA was dissolved after the parties were unable to reach an allocation agreement to implement the required work.
- Ecology issued an agreed order to the PLPs and an enforcement order to the Port.



#### **Background**



- Staff is implementing the work required on Port owned property.
- Additional work is required on Port owner property to complete the remedial investigation and select a remedy in the feasibility study.
- Port staff have reached agreement with one of the Burlington
   Environmental to develop a structured dispute resolution process to
   allocate costs incurred by the Port at Parcel 111.

#### Scope of Work for This Request



- Install compliance monitoring wells and obtain soil, vapor and groundwater samples for laboratory analysis.
- Perform quarterly groundwater monitoring on Port-owned property.
- Vapor intrusion assessment on Parcel 111.
- Negotiate and implement dispute resolution process for Parcel 111.
- Prepare demand letters for other PLPs.

#### Scope of Work for This Request



- Meetings and project coordination with the PLPs to complete the deliverables required under the orders.
- Ecology oversight costs.
- Staff time, consulting and outside legal counsel fees.
- Contingency.

## Financial Summary



Item	This Request	Total Previous Requests	Total Request	Total Project Cost	Cost to Date	Remaining Cost
TOTAL	\$300,000	\$1,367,000	\$1,667,000	\$1,667,000	\$1,177,139	\$489,861

### **Next Steps**



- Negotiate and implement a structured dispute resolution process with one of the TWAAFA PLPs for Port Parcel 111.
- Authorize investigation of Port owned properties as required by Ecology under the enforcement order.

#### Conclusion



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