



Public Notice

DEQ Requests Comments on Proposed Consent Judgement

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The Oregon Department of Environmental Quality invites the public to submit written comments on its proposed consent judgement for a prospective purchaser agreement with the Parcel 2 River District LLC concerning its acquisition of Parcel 2 of the Eugene River District from the Urban Renewal Agency of City of Eugene.

How to provide public comment

Facility name: Parcel 2 River District LLC (EWEB Operations)

Project location: East Fourth Avenue and Mill Street in Eugene

Comments due by: Sept. 30 at 5 p.m.

Submit written comments:

By mail: Sarah Kingery, Oregon DEQ, 165 E. Seventh Ave. Suite 100, Eugene, OR 97401

By email: sarah.kingery@deq.oregon.gov

Proposal highlights

The proposed consent judgment will provide Parcel 2 River District LLC with a release from liability for claims by the State of Oregon under ORS 465.200 to 465.545 and 465.990, 466.640, and 468B.310 regarding existing hazardous substance releases at the property. The proposed consent judgment will also provide Parcel 2 River District LLC with third party liability protection.

Background

Over the past decade, multiple phases of environmental investigation and cleanup have been completed at the adjacent former Eugene Water & Electric Board property by various entities. The EWEB property and other adjacent properties are referred to as the Eugene Riverfront District. Over the course of the previous environmental investigations and cleanups in the Riverfront District, the Contaminants of Concern (COCs) identified are: total petroleum hydrocarbons, polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons, semi-volatile organic compounds, volatile organic compounds, polychlorinated biphenyls, and metals. In September 2025, a Phase II environmental investigation was conducted at the Parcel 2 property. This investigation included collection of soil samples to assess whether there is evidence of significant and widespread contamination at the property and what, if any, actions may be required to address the contamination. The investigation included drilling four soil borings to a depth nearly 20 feet below ground surface, and an additional four geotechnical borings to a depth of nearly 51.5 feet below ground surface. No groundwater was encountered in the first set of shallower borings.

The investigation on Parcel 2 did not indicate widespread contamination requiring cleanup. COCs in soil exceed clean fill levels and will need to be managed properly. As part of the consent judgement, a contaminated media management plan will be prepared in advance of any soil excavation activities.

For more information

Visit Your DEQ Online (YDO) to see documents related to this project or use <https://ordeq.org/ECSI3808>.

Environmental Cleanup Site Information ID: 3808

The next step

DEQ will consider all public comments received by the date and time stated above before making a final decision regarding the proposed prospective purchaser agreement. A public notice of DEQ's final decision will be given by notice on DEQ's Public Notice webpage and posting any final documents to the administrative record.

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