

How to Obtain Information on Contaminated Sites

Looking for information about potentially contaminated sites in the province and about the ministry's contaminated sites system? This Fact Sheet explains how you can access the information you need.

What type of information is available?

- Information on specific sites in BC
- Acts and regulations
- Fact sheets and guidance
- Policies, protocols, and procedures
- Analytical methods
- Discussion papers and reports
- Standards and criteria
- Legal decisions
- List of approved professionals
- Draft documents
- Application forms and instructions

How can the information be obtained?

This information can be obtained through the Internet, by e-mail, and in paper format.

Ministry Internet site (World Wide Web)

Extensive information about contaminated sites is available on the ministry's Contaminated Sites Program home page. Visit www.env.gov.bc.ca/epd/epdpa/contam_sites/index.html

Updates on new items and activities

We offer a free e-mail service to provide up-to-date news on contaminated sites developments. The CS e-Link is a free e-mail list service that notifies subscribers when and where to find information, online documents,

news, and announcements related to contaminated sites and the contaminated sites system. Consult the contaminated sites home page under "CS e-link" to subscribe to this service.

Information on specific sites in BC

To find information about a particular site, search the ministry's Site Registry through BC OnLine (www.bconline.gov.bc.ca). Fact Sheets 20, 23, and 24 provide further details (follow the links from the Contaminated Sites Program home page). The *Site Registry User's Guide* is also available on BC OnLine's web site. As well, if you request it, we will perform a search for you.

If you wish to obtain site information that is available in paper records or on other databases, we can also get that for you. Submit a request to us by filling out the Site Information Request form (available on our web site).

Paper copies of documents

Paper copies of legislation can be purchased from Crown Publications (in Victoria call (250) 386-4636, or visit www.crownpub.bc.ca).

Others sources of information on contaminated sites in BC

The Ministry of Environment plays a regulatory role in the assessment, clean-up and management of contaminated sites broadly in BC. But it is not the only agency with responsibility for contaminated sites.

The Crown Contaminated Sites Program of the Ministry of Agriculture and Lands manages contaminated sites located on provincial Crown land in BC. Should you require information specifically about contaminated sites on provincial Crown lands, visit the web site at <http://www.agf.gov.bc.ca/clad/ccs/index.html>.

Note: This summary is solely for the convenience of the reader. The current legislation and regulations should be consulted for complete information.

For more information, contact the Environmental Management Branch at site@gov.bc.ca