

ENVIRONMENTAL Fact Sheet



Teledyne-Millersburg Site, Millersburg, Oregon

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 10

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Comments Requested *by May 5th* on Proposed Consent Decree for Teledyne-Millersburg Site

The U.S. Department of Justice (USDOJ) announces a public comment period on a proposed consent decree concerning radon-resistant construction of any buildings at the Teledyne-Millersburg site. The affected area is 60 acres located west of the intersection of Old Salem and Conser Roads in Millersburg, Oregon. USDOJ represents the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in matters that come before a court. After considering public comments, USDOJ and the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality will decide whether to ask the court to approve the decree.

Send your written comments on the proposed Teledyne—Millersburg consent decree by May 5th to:

Acting Assistant Attorney General
Environment and Natural Resources Division
U.S. Department of Justice
P.O. Box 7611, Ben Franklin Station
Washington, D.C. 20044-7611

Comments must refer to the name and number of the proposed decree:

United States and the State of Oregon v. City of Millersburg, Oregon, No. 6:06-CV-06069-TC, D.J. Ref. #90-11-2-558/1.

What Would the Proposed Decree Do?

[This section has been updated to include more information about Institutional Controls.]

The decree would require the City of Millersburg to pay past response costs. It requires the City to implement institutional controls, and grants access to EPA and the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) as needed to monitor these controls. The proposed consent decree includes several options to mitigate for radon.

- Using radon-resistant construction methods,
- Where radon-resistant construction is not appropriate (as in open-sided sheds and parking structures), demonstrating through mathematical modelling that radon levels are below EPA's indoor air standard, or
- Excavating the contaminated soil and disposing of the soil off site or containing it on site.

The City is also required to cooperate with EPA and DEQ on any necessary future response actions on its property. The decree would provide liability releases and contributions protection to the City of Millersburg pursuant to the federal Superfund law and the state environmental cleanup law.

What is radon?

Radon is a naturally occurring odorless, radioactive gas formed when uranium breaks down. Exposure to high levels of radon results in an increased risk of some lung diseases, including cancer.

Where Are Copies Available?

The consent decree is titled *United States and the State of Oregon v. City of Millersburg*. It can be reviewed online at: <http://www.usdoj.gov/enrd/> and at these locations:

Albany Public Library

1390 Waverly Drive SE
Albany, OR 97322
(541) 917-7580

U.S. EPA Region 10 Superfund Records Center

1200 Sixth Avenue
Seattle, Washington 98101
Please call (206) 553-4494 for an appointment.

You can also purchase copies of the consent decree from the **Consent Decree Library:**

P.O. Box 7611
U.S. Department of Justice
Washington, D.C. 20044-7611
Fax: (202) 514-0097
E-mail: tonia.fleetwood@usdoj.gov

Please send a check payable to the U.S. Treasury for \$6.25 (25 cents per page reproduction cost) to the Consent Decree Library (above). To confirm that your request has been received, please call Tonia Fleetwood at (202) 514-1547.

Background

The Teledyne Wah Chang site was contaminated by wastes from a metals production plant. A cleanup took place during the mid and late 1990s.

Need More Information?

Detailed information about the Teledyne-Millersburg property and the entire Teledyne site is available at the Albany Public Library and the EPA Records Center listed at left.

Some Teledyne site documents are available on the EPA Region 10 website:

<http://www.epa.gov/r10earth/>
Click on Index, then T, and then Teledyne Wah Chang.

Questions?

If you have questions about the Teledyne-Millersburg site, please contact either person listed below.

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For people with disabilities, please call Ravi Sanga of EPA to request reasonable accommodation. TTY users, please call (800) 977-8339 and give the operator Ravi Sanga's phone number.