

DUWAMISH RIVER CLEANUP HEALTH IMPACT ASSESSMENT

About the Duwamish River Superfund Site

Seattle's Duwamish River is a federal Superfund site – one of the most toxic waste sites in the nation.

EPA is preparing a proposed cleanup plan for the river.

The plan is required to protect both the river environment and the health of exposed communities.

The Duwamish River is surrounded by some of Seattle's lowest-income and most ethnically diverse and multilingual neighborhoods. People who are most exposed to pollutants in the river include local residents and fishing families. The river's fishermen are largely Tribal, immigrant, refugee, low-income, homeless, and/or subsistence harvesters.

About the Health Impact Assessment

The Duwamish River Health Impact Assessment (HIA) will examine possible unintended health consequences of EPA's proposed cleanup plan. The HIA will make recommendations for strategies to minimize health impacts, maximize benefits, and reduce inequities.

How to Participate

DRCC/TAG and project partners UW School of Public Health and Just Health Action are seeking community members to participate in a community-based research project and to serve on a project advisory committee helping to guide the HIA. Compensation is available to qualified participants.

Contact Project Coordinator BJ Cummings at (206) 458-0284 or bj@duwamishcleanup.org for more info.

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