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**Notice to Well Drillers:  
Lakewood/Ponders Corner Superfund Site  
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The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) advises drilling contractors in the Tacoma area that suspension of drilling should continue in the areas affected by contamination from the Lakewood/Ponders Corner Superfund site. The affected aquifer is located south of Tacoma in Pierce County.

Drilling into a contaminated portion of the aquifer could expose drillers to water contaminated with dichloroethylene (cis-1,2 DCE), trichloroethylene (TCE), and tetrachloroethylene (TCE). In addition, drilling could cause a release of hazardous substances into the environment and subject drilling contractors to financial liability under the federal Superfund law. **The area of groundwater contamination is identified within the heavy lines on the map accompanying this notice.**

EPA has eliminated the source of the contamination. However, EPA recommends that the suspension of drilling in the areas still affected by the contamination continue.

If you have questions about the site, please contact:

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