

Environmental Management Public Outreach Summary

Department of Energy, Idaho Operations Office

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Formal Public Interaction

- **February 23: INL Citizens Advisory Board Meeting:** Idaho Falls, Idaho
- **March 2: DOE Tour:** Acting Assistant Secretary for the Office of Environmental Management, Sue Cange, toured Idaho Cleanup Project facilities.
- **March 2: AMWTP Waste Retrieval Completion Event:** The Department of Energy and Fluor Idaho hosted an employee celebration event marking the completion of waste retrieval from the Transuranic Storage Area-Retrieval Enclosure. In addition to AMWTP employees, representatives from the DOE Office of Environmental Management, state of Idaho, Shoshone-Bannock Tribes, Idaho Department of Environmental Quality, INL Citizen's Advisory Board, City of Idaho Falls, and Butte County were in attendance.
- **March 7: Permit Modification Request Public Meeting:** Fluor Idaho and the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality hosted a public meeting in Arco, Idaho to discuss a requested Class 3 Integrated Waste Treatment Unit permit modification. The Class 3 PMR/RTA provides for the installation of an access port (manway) into the Integrated Waste Treatment Unit's (IWTU) Denitration Mineralization Reformer (DMR) vessel to support necessary internal inspections and any modifications and/or repairs.
- **March 8: Permit Modification Request Public Meeting:** Fluor Idaho and the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality hosted a public meeting in Idaho Falls to discuss a requested Class 3 Integrated Waste Treatment Unit permit modification. The Class 3 PMR/RTA provides for the installation of an access port (manway) into the Integrated Waste Treatment Unit's (IWTU) Denitration Mineralization Reformer (DMR) vessel to support necessary internal inspections and any modifications and/or repairs.
- **March 25: Permit Modification Request Public Comment Period Closed:** The 60-day comment period established to provide comments on a Class 2 Permit Modification Request for expanding waste treatment activities at the Idaho Nuclear Technology and Engineering Center closed.
- **April 9: TRU Waste Shipments Resume:** The U.S. Department of Energy's Waste Isolation Pilot Plant announced the arrival of its first shipment of transuranic (TRU) waste since WIPP reopened in January. The shipment from Idaho is an important milestone for WIPP. WIPP suspended operations in

February 2014 when a truck fire and unrelated radiological event temporarily closed the facility.

- **April 14: Permit Modification Request Public Comment Period Closed:** The 60-day public comment period established to provide comments on a Class 3 Permit Modification Request for the Integrated Waste Treatment Unit (IWTU) closed. The Class 3 PMR/RTA provides for the installation of an access port (manway) into the Integrated Waste Treatment Unit's (IWTU) Denitration Mineralization Reformer (DMR) vessel to support necessary internal inspections and any modifications and/or repairs.
- **April 21: Idaho LINE Commission Meeting:** DOE- Idaho Cleanup Project Deputy Manager, Jack Zimmerman briefed the Idaho Leadership in Nuclear Energy Commission about the status of the Idaho Cleanup Project.
- **May 8: U.S. Energy Secretary Tour:** United States Energy Secretary Rick Perry toured the Integrated Waste Treatment Unit, along with other Idaho facilities.
- **May 22: Acting Assistant Secretary Meeting:** The Acting Assistant Secretary for the Office of Environmental Management Sue Cange met with members of the Alliance for Nuclear Accountability in Washington DC. Local representatives included Beatrice Brailsford and Brent Marchbanks from the Snake River Alliance.
- **June 9: Nuclear Regulatory Commission Federal Register Notice:** The Nuclear Regulatory Commission published the notice of docketing and opportunity for hearing for the license renewal application for the Three Mile Island-2 Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installation located at the Idaho Nuclear Technology and Engineering Center.

Additional Community Interaction

- **May 17: Post Register Interview:** Fluor Idaho Communications personnel participated in an interview with Post Register reporter Kevin Trevelyan on the May 11 excavator incident at ARP VIII.
- **May 18: Associated Press Interview:** Fluor Idaho Communications personnel participated in an interview with Associated Press reporter Rebecca Boone on the May 11 excavator incident at ARP VIII.
- **May 24: Premier Technology Tour of IWTU:** Two executives of Premier Technology in Blackfoot toured the IWTU.
- **May 31: Media Tour of Cleanup Facilities:** Three members of the Idaho media toured AMWTP, INTEC, IWTU, and ARP.

- **June 6: Post Register Interview:** Fluor Idaho Communications personnel participated in a follow-up interview with Post Register reporter Kevin Trevellyan following the resumption of work at ARP VIII.

Upcoming Formal Public Interaction

- **July 13: Snake River Alliance Tour:** Members of the Snake River Alliance will tour AMWTP, ARP, INTEC, and IWTU.
- **August 31: Snake River Alliance Tour:** Members of the Snake River Alliance will tour AMWTP, ARP, INTEC, and IWTU.
- **October 26: INL Citizens Advisory Board Meeting:** Sun Valley, Idaho