

**Environmental Management Public Outreach Summary**  
**Department of Energy, Idaho Operations Office**  
**June 2015-October 2015**

*Compiled for the October 29, 2015 Citizens Advisory Board Meeting*

**Formal Public Interaction**

- **June 22: Public Notification:** In accordance with the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, the U.S. Department of Energy, and Idaho Cleanup Project contractor, CH2M-WG, Idaho issued information about a Class 1\* permit modification request to incorporate changes to the collection vessel/condenser for the Idaho Nuclear Technology Engineering Center Sodium Distillation System to individuals listed on the Idaho National Laboratory mailing list.
- **June 23: INL Citizens Advisory Board Meeting:** Idaho Falls, Idaho
- **June 23: Public Comment Period:** The Idaho Department of Environmental Quality announced that they were seeking input from stakeholders and the public on their proposed approval of the Materials and Fuels Complex Resource Conservation and Recovery Act 10 year permit re-application (renewal).
- **July 13: Public Comment Period Closed:** The public comment period for the U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Nuclear Energy's Draft Supplement Analysis on Two Proposed Shipments of Commercial Spent Nuclear Fuel to Idaho National Laboratory for Research and Development Purposes closed.
- **July 30: Public Notification:** In accordance with the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, the U.S. Department of Energy, and Idaho Cleanup Project contractor, CH2M-WG, Idaho issued information about a Class 1\* permit modification request to incorporate changes needed for the handling/venting of boxes in the Accelerated Retrieval Project-V enclosure for the sludge repackaging project to individuals listed on the Idaho National Laboratory mailing list.
- **August 7: Public Comment Period Closed:** The public comment period for the Materials and Fuels Complex Resource Conservation and Recovery Act 10 year permit re-application (renewal) closed.
- **September 28:** In accordance with the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, the U.S. Department of Energy, and Idaho Cleanup Project contractor, CH2M-WG, Idaho issued information about a Class 1\* permit modification notification needed to incorporate additional secondary containment pans in Accelerated Retrieval Project-V enclosure to individuals listed on the INL mailing list.

- **September 29-30: DOE National Cleanup Workshop:** The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), in cooperation with the Energy Communities Alliance, Energy Facility Contractors Group, and Nuclear Energy Institute, held the first DOE National Cleanup Workshop in Washington, D.C. The workshop brought together senior DOE executives, officials from DOE sites, industry executives, and other stakeholders to discuss EM's progress in the cleanup of the environmental legacy of the nation's Manhattan Project and Cold War nuclear weapons program. The workshop focused on major cleanup successes planned for the next two years, contract and project management improvement, and ongoing efforts to develop new cleanup technologies.
- **September 30: Advanced Mixed Waste Treatment Project Contract Extension:** The U.S. Department of Energy announced it had extended the contract for the Advanced Mixed Waste Treatment Project at the Idaho Site for a period of 6 months.
- **September 30: Idaho Cleanup Project Contract Extension:** The U.S. Department of Energy announced it had extended the contract for the Idaho Cleanup Project at the Idaho Site for a period of 6 months.
- **October 21: Nuclear Regulatory Commission Licensed Facilities Contract Award:** The U.S. Department of Energy's Office of Environmental Management announced the award of a contract to Spectra Tech, Inc. for the Nuclear Regulatory Commission Licensed Facilities procurement. The NRC Licensed Facilities contract scope includes managing Spent Nuclear Fuel storage facilities and licenses under NRC regulations. Including management, operation, and oversight of the Three Mile Island-2 Independent Spent Fuel Storage Facility; and management of the Idaho Spent Fuel Facility license.

### **Additional Community Interaction**

- **August 11: Shoshone-Bannock Tribes Meeting:** Monica Regalbuto, Assistant Secretary for Environmental Management, met with the Shoshone-Bannock Tribal Business Council and other tribal representatives to discuss cleanup progress and tribal relations.
- **August 27: Congressional Staff Tour:** Representatives from Idaho Senator, James Risch's staff toured the Idaho Cleanup Project and the Advanced Mixed Waste Treatment Project.
- **September 1: Idaho Attorney General Tour:** Idaho Attorney General, Lawrence Wasden toured the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant.
- **September 22: IDEQ Director Tour:** Newly-appointed director of the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality, John Tippets, toured the Idaho Cleanup Project and the Advanced Mixed Waste Treatment Project. The purpose of the tour was general familiarization with facilities that DEQ oversees.

- **September 30: IDEQ Staff Tour:** Staff from the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality toured the Idaho Cleanup Project and the Advanced Mixed Waste Treatment Project to gain general familiarization with facilities that DEQ oversees.
- **October 15: INL Retirees Association Presentation:** DOE Idaho Operations Office Manager, Rick Provencher spoke to the Idaho National Laboratory Retired Employees Association. The presentation focused on current and future developments at DOE's Idaho site.
- **October 26: Regulator and Stakeholder Briefings:** DOE- Idaho Cleanup Project Deputy Manager, Jack Zimmerman met with the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality, the Idaho Attorney General's Office and the Idaho Governor's Office to discuss environmental cleanup progress, and the status of on-going projects.

### **Upcoming Formal Public Interaction**

- **November: Permit Modification Request:** In accordance with the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, Idaho Cleanup Project contractor, CH2M-WG, Idaho CWI plans to submit a Class 1\* permit modification request to the Idaho Department of Environmental Quality needed to incorporate Radioactive Waste Management Complex Sludge Repackaging Project Operational/Process changes.
- **November 5: Public Meeting:** A public meeting regarding a Resource Conservation and Recovery Act Class 2\* permit modification request for the Integrated Waste Treatment Unit will be held in Conference Room #2 at the Idaho Falls Public Library, located at 457 W. Broadway, Idaho Falls, Idaho. The meeting is scheduled to begin at 6:00 p.m. and end at 8:00 p.m. or at 6:30 p.m. if members of the public do not attend by 6:30 p.m.
- **November 12: Public Meeting:** A public meeting regarding a Resource Conservation and Recovery Act Class 2\* permit modification request for the Integrated Waste Treatment Unit will be held in Suite #203 at the Arco-Butte County Business Incubation Center, located at 159 N. Idaho Street, Arco, Idaho. The meeting is scheduled to begin at 6:30 p.m. and end at 8:30 p.m. or at 7:00 p.m. if members of the public do not attend by 7:00 p.m.
- **January-March: INL Citizens Advisory Board Meeting:** TBD