

Environmental Management Public Outreach Summary

Department of Energy- Idaho Operations Office

August 27, 2020 – January 27, 2021

Compiled for the January 28, 2021 Citizens Advisory Board Meeting

Formal Public Interaction

- **August 27: Idaho Cleanup Project Citizen’s Advisory Board Meeting:** The Idaho Cleanup Project (ICP) Citizen’s Advisory Board held virtual public meeting via Zoom.
- **October 14: LINE Commission Meeting:** DOE and Fluor Idaho participated in a virtual LINE Commission meeting. DOE-Idaho Acting Deputy Manager Mark Brown gave an ICP update presentation.
- **December 17: Public Comment Period:** The Idaho Department of Environmental Quality posted the Idaho National Laboratory Permit to Construct P-2015.0023 Facility Emission Cap Revision Request for public notification, review, and comment.
- **January 27: LINE Commission Meeting:** DOE and Fluor Idaho participated in a virtual LINE Commission meeting. DOE-Idaho Manager, Connie Flohr gave an ICP update presentation.

Additional Community Interaction

- **August *EM Update* Facebook Posts:** Links to the following *EM Update* newsletter articles were posted on Fluor Idaho’s ICP Facebook page:
Mentor-Protégé Agreement with MarCom LLC
The conclusion of long-term testing of ceramic filters for the Integrated Waste Treatment Unit (IWTU).
- **September *EM Update* Facebook Posts:** Links to the following *EM Update* newsletter articles were posted on Fluor Idaho’s ICP Facebook page:
DOE and Fluor’s plan to use the Treatment Facility at the Advanced Mixed Waste Treatment Project (AMWTP) to treat sludge wastes from the former Rocky Flats Plant. Sludge wastes are also treated at the Accelerated Retrieval Project VII facility.
DOE and Fluor’s plan to suspend operations of three vapor vacuum extraction units at the Subsurface Disposal Area to study if the units have achieved desired results early.
DOE and Fluor’s use of the Treatment Facility at the AMWTP for sludge drum treatment.
- **September 3:** A link to the ICP virtual tour video was posted on the ICP Facebook page.

- **September 4: Facebook Post:** A brief note was posted on the ICP Facebook page on National Wildlife Day.
- **September 8: Press Release:** Fluor Idaho Communications issued a press release on plans to use the AMWTP's Treatment Facility for sludge waste treatment.
- **September 10: Facebook Post:** As part of Throwback Thursday, an article ran on the ICP Facebook page on the history of the Subsurface Disposal Area (SDA) and the remediation that has taken place since the record of decision was signed in 2008.
- **September 14: Facebook Post:** As part of Machine Monday, an article ran on the ICP Facebook page on the use of manipulators in hot cells.
- **September 15: Press Release:** Fluor Idaho Communications issued a press release on plans to suspend operations at three vapor vacuum extraction units at the SDA.
- **September 28: Facebook Post:** As part of Machine Monday, a brief article ran on the ICP Facebook page on the in-situ object counting system (ISOCS) technology that is used to characterize waste containers at the AMWTP.
- **September 29: Press Release:** Fluor Idaho Communications released a press release on a Mentor-Protégé Agreement with Walsh Engineering Services, an Idaho Falls-based engineering firm.
- **October *EM Update* Facebook Posts:** Links to the following *EM Update* newsletter articles were posted on Fluor Idaho's ICP Facebook page:
 - Technologies being tested by the Calcine Retrieval Project.
 - DOE and Fluor Idaho's plan to drill an additional well at Test Area North to enhance current groundwater treatment efforts.
- **October 7: Press Release and Facebook Post:** Fluor Idaho Communications released a press release on the technologies being tested by the Calcine Retrieval Project.
- **October 7: Facebook Post:** A brief article ran on the ICP Facebook page on the Snake River Plain Aquifer.
- **October 12: Facebook Post:** An article ran on the vapor vacuum extraction units at the Subsurface Disposal Area in a feature called Machine Monday.
- **October 19: Facebook Post:** An article ran on the ICP Facebook page on Chris Davis who was named Voluntary Protection Program Member of the Month.
- **October 22: Facebook Post:** An article ran on the ICP Facebook page that discussed the 20th anniversary of the demolition of the Waste Experimental Reduction Facility on the Throwback Thursday feature.
- **October 27: Facebook Post:** A video was provided on the ICP Facebook page that showed 30 years of cleanup progress.
- **November: *EM Update* Facebook Posts:** Links to the following *EM Update* newsletter articles were posted on Fluor Idaho's ICP Facebook page:

The 25th anniversary of the 1995 Idaho Settlement Agreement and the accomplishments at the ICP during that time

The planned closure of the AMWTP's Transuranic Storage Area Retrieval Enclosure, the largest building on the Idaho National Laboratory Site.

- **November 3: Press Release and Facebook Post:** Fluor Idaho Communications issued a press release on the 25th anniversary of the 1995 Idaho Settlement Agreement.
- **November 3: Facebook Post:** A brief article ran on the ICP Facebook page on hand safety.
- **November 5: Press Release and Facebook Post:** Fluor Idaho Communications issued a press release on Kliss McNeel, Environment, Safety, Health & Quality director for Fluor Idaho, being awarded the 2020 E. Gail de Planque Medal by the American Nuclear Society.
- **November 13: Facebook Post:** An article ran on the ICP Facebook page on Fluor Idaho employees who received the Attitude Award for being safety conscious and looking out for fellow employees.
- **November 20: Facebook Post:** An article ran on the ICP Facebook page on its Throwback Thursday feature on the history at the Test Area North and its demolition.
- **November 24: Press Release and Facebook Post:** Fluor Idaho Communications issued a press release on the planned closure of the Transuranic Storage Area Retrieval Enclosure.
- **December 2: Facebook Post:** Several photos were posted on the ICP Facebook page detailing cleanup work taking place.
- **December 3: Facebook Post:** A link was provided on the ICP Facebook page to a video that discusses technologies being tested by the Calcine Retrieval Project.
- **December 7: Facebook Post:** An article ran on the ICP Facebook page on the Fab Shop at the Idaho Nuclear Technology and Engineering Center.
- **December 9: Facebook Post:** A note ran on the ICP Facebook page about wildlife at the Idaho National Laboratory Site.
- **December 11: Facebook Post:** A brief article was posted on the ICP Facebook page on preparations that the ICP makes for winter.
- **December 14: Facebook Post:** A link was provided on the ICP Facebook page to a video that celebrated accomplishments under the 1995 Idaho Settlement Agreement.
- **December 22: EM Update Article:** An article ran in *EM Update* on an inspection that took place of Peach Bottom fuel and vaults.

- **December 22: Press Release:** Fluor Idaho Communications issued a press release on the results of the Peach Bottom fuel and vault inspection.
- **December 29: Facebook Post:** A link was provided on the ICP Facebook page to an EM insert that highlighted accomplishments in 2020.
- **January 3: Facebook Post:** A brief article ran on the ICP Facebook page on the 60th anniversary of the Stationary Low-Power Reactor No. 1 (SL-1) accident. The article also discussed the cleanup actions that took place as a result of the accident.
- **January 5: Facebook Post:** An article ran on the ICP Facebook page on a Fluor Idaho employee and his family which served meals and donated winter clothing to an Idaho Falls shelter.
- **January 11: Facebook Post:** A note ran on the ICP Facebook page on how Fluor Idaho uses a slip simulator to reduce the chance of slips, trips, and falls.
- **January 13: EM Update Article:** An article ran in *EM Update* on the Calcine Retrieval Project partnering with Idaho State University to conduct radiation testing on project components.

Upcoming Formal Public Interaction

- **February: Cleanup Project Briefing:** Connie Flohr and Fred Hughes will brief Idaho Gov. Brad Little's new legal counsel on the status of cleanup projects at Idaho National Laboratory Site facilities.
- **February: Five-Year Review:** A newspaper ad, *EM Update* article, and press release will be prepared to announce the results of the five-year review of previous cleanup decisions.
- **February/March: Modification Request:** A modification request has been submitted for the Hazardous Waste Management Act/ Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (HWMA/RCRA) Interim Status Document for the treatment of sludge wastes at the AMWTP Treatment Facility. A virtual public meeting will be held.
- **February/March: Site Treatment Plan:** The Site Treatment Plan Annual Update for Fiscal Year 2021 is expected to be released for 30-day public comment period.
- **February/March: Public Comment Period:** A modification request will be submitted for the Idaho Nuclear Technology and Engineering Center Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) permit for the Integrated Waste Treatment Unit. The request requires a 60-day public comment period.
- **March 8-12: Waste Management 2021 Symposia:** Fluor Idaho and DOE-ID employees will participate virtually at the Waste Management Symposia.