

The Secretary's Improvement Award

The Office of Environmental Management's Rocky Flats Closure Project is presented this award for demonstrating significant results in completing a project within cost and schedule. As recent as March 1995, the \$6.7 billion project was estimated to cost \$37 billion and to be completed in 2060 for which GAO noted that DOE can use lessons learned from Rocky Flats to improve oversight of other sites' cleanup activities. Factors contributing to the project's success include agreements between DOE and the Site's regulatory agencies, an incentivized contract, and a stable funding profile from congress.

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Signature: Secretary Bodman