



Program Update

October–December 2010

Welcome to the October–December 2010 issue of the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Office of Legacy Management (LM) Program Update. This publication is designed to provide a status of activities within LM. Please direct all comments and inquiries to lm@hq.doe.gov.

Goal 5

Office of Legacy Management Receives Management Award

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Office of Legacy Management (LM) was one of five DOE organizations to receive a DOE Management Award on October 6, 2010. The DOE Management Awards are presented to DOE personnel for outstanding contributions to energy, water, and vehicle fleet management and associated cost savings at DOE facilities and field organizations. LM received the award for the System Operation and Analysis at Remote Sites (SOARS) project. SOARS is used to obtain real-time data to evaluate remediation progress. It collects and transmits data from 16 sites in nine states. At some sites, SOARS allows pumps and valves to be monitored and operated remotely, which reduces travel to and from the sites and lets



Dr. Henry Kelly, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for EERE (left) and Richard Kidd, FEMP Program Manager (right) present the DOE Management Award to Tracy Ribeiro (LM) and Carl Jacobson (S.M. Stoller Corporation) at the 2010 Department of Energy Management Awards ceremony.

Legacy Management Goals

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personnel respond to changing conditions rapidly. In fiscal 2009, SOARS reduced travel to sites by 37,000 miles, saving about 1,900 gallons of fuel. At many of the sites where SOARS has been implemented, photovoltaic solar energy powers the SOARS instruments and communications equipment, reducing greenhouse gas emissions. SOARS was developed—and is maintained—under the Goal 1 Applied Science and Technology task order. During the award ceremony, DOE suggested that the U.S. Department of Homeland Security use the SOARS technology at their remote Border Patrol sites so that additional government-wide savings could be realized. ❖



Goal 4

Former Nuclear Testing Site To Become a Wildlife Refuge and Working Demonstration Forest

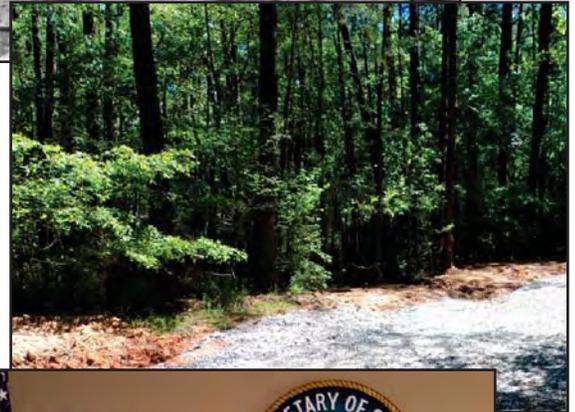
The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) transferred surface ownership of the Salmon, Mississippi, Site (formerly known as the Tatum Salt Dome Test Site) to the State of Mississippi to use as a wildlife refuge and working demonstration forest. The deed of transfer was signed on December 15, 2010, in Jackson.

“This is a significant donation, not only of the acreage involved, but over \$2 million of timber will be given to the state and managed now for all of the citizens of the State of Mississippi in perpetuity,” said Delbert Hosemann, Mississippi Secretary of State. “It’s a good day, it’s a great Christmas present for the State,” Hosemann said.

The 1,470-acre site, located in Lamar County, Mississippi, was the location for underground nuclear and non-nuclear tests in the 1960s. Two nuclear devices were detonated in the Tatum Salt Dome under the designation of Project Dribble, which was part of a larger program known as Vela Uniform. The first test, Salmon, was a 5.3-kiloton device detonated at a depth of 2,700 feet on October 22, 1964. The second test, Sterling, detonated on December 3, 1966, was a 380-ton device suspended in the cavity created by the Salmon test. Two nonnuclear explosive-gas tests were later conducted in the cavity as part of Project Miracle Play.

Before underground tests were conducted, the site was a commercial pine forest. Discussions between DOE and the State of Mississippi about the future of the site have been ongoing since the site was acquired by DOE in the 1990s. The National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1997 authorized the transfer of the site from federal to state ownership to be used as a wildlife refuge and working demonstration forest. The Act designated the site as the “Jamie Whitten Forest Management Area”.

To prepare for the site transfer, DOE Office of Legacy Management (LM) contractors repaired, removed, and replaced several culverts, and installed swales to improve drainage and control erosion. Protective bollards were also installed around all of the DOE monitoring wells. The

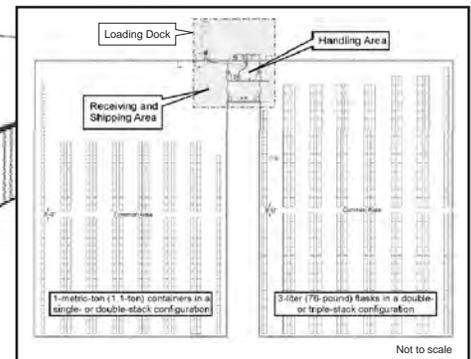
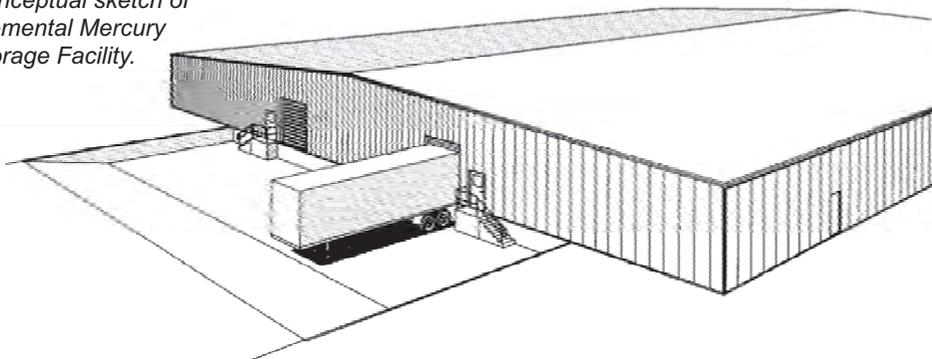


Top: The beginning of remediation at the Salmon Site in the early 1970s. Middle: A view of the Salmon Site as it appears today. Bottom: Mississippi Secretary of State Delbert Hosemann (left) looks on as Steve Schiesswohl, Team Leader of the LM Asset Management Team, signs the deed of transfer.

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Conceptual sketch of
Elemental Mercury
Storage Facility.



Conceptual sketch of interior of new
Elemental Mercury Storage Facility.

Goal 1 Domestic Storage of Elemental Mercury

As a result of the Mercury Export Ban Act (MEBA) of 2008, export of elemental mercury from the United States is prohibited effective January 1, 2013, and federal agencies are immediately prohibited from selling, distributing, or transferring elemental mercury except to facilitate long-term storage. The law also requires that the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) designate a Departmental facility or facilities for the long-term management and storage of elemental mercury generated within the United States. Although the MEBA does not require private holders of mercury to store it at the DOE facility, it does obligate DOE to take custody of federally and privately owned elemental mercury delivered to its Resource Conservation and Recovery Act permitted facility.

Between June and December 2010, the DOE Office of Legacy Management (LM) actively implemented and coordinated the MEBA requirements with the Environmental Protection Agency, U.S. Department of State, and other DOE organizations, such as the National Nuclear Security Administration, DOE Office of Environmental Management, DOE Office of the General Council, and DOE Office of Health & Safety. Currently, LM has lead responsibilities to operate the long-term management and storage facility, annually adjust the storage fee, and submit a Congressional report that addresses the impact of the long-term mercury facility on mercury recycling and proposes recommendations that might mitigate any negative impacts. LM is also actively involved in assisting EM

in the National Environmental Policy Act process for the Draft Mercury Storage Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for identifying the preferred long-term storage facility, establishing the acquisition requirements for the facility, and developing the construction and operating estimates and parameters for the storage fee. The preferred alternative identified in the Draft EIS is the Waste Control Specialists, LLC facility (commercial candidate site) located in West Texas. The final EIS is scheduled to be issued in January 2011. DOE is taking all practicable steps to ensure that human health and the environment are protected against the adverse effects that may result from long-term storage of elemental mercury.

Internationally, the United Nations Environmental Program (UNEP) is currently negotiating a global treaty to reduce the amount of mercury used worldwide. Given this mandate, coupled with declining trends in mercury consumption and increases in mercury capture technologies, the amount of surplus mercury very likely will increase once the mercury agreement enters into force both domestically and globally. Accordingly, LM is actively involved by assisting the Department of State in the preparation of U.S. position papers used for negotiations in the primary technical areas of mercury storage, supply, and products. LM will also represent DOE in the next UNEP intergovernmental negotiation committee meeting in Chiba, Japan, in January 2011. ❖



Goal 4

Legacy Management Business Center Wins Recycling Award

On November 18, the Monongalia County Solid Waste Authority presented a recycling award to the U.S. Department of Energy Office of Legacy Management (LM) Business Center in Morgantown, West Virginia.

The LM Business Center (LMBC) was recognized because the recycling program has kept a large amount of waste out of West Virginia landfills. So far this year, the LMBC has recycled 11,033 pounds of material, including 6,300 pounds of cardboard, 1,050 pounds of plastic bottles, and 2,790 pounds of office paper.

Laura Stiller, Recycling Coordinator for the Solid Waste Authority, kicked off the event with a discussion of how Monongalia County has publicized the importance of recycling. Then Tim Terman spoke about the Monongahela River Revival program, which cleans up the river and its tributaries. Tim leads groups in cleaning up not only the waterways but also roadsides near tributaries. He discussed how the river is starting to revert to its natural state and how fish and wildlife are returning.

Dave Dial, Chair of the Solid Waste Authority, and Bob McConnell, Vice Chair, presented the awards. West Virginia University Facilities, Mylan Pharmaceuticals, Craig's Recycling, Claudette Simard, and Boy Scout Troop #65 won awards in other categories. The awards categories were Government, State, Business, Small Business,



Cheryl Haggard (LM) and John Montgomery (LMBC Director) are shown with the recycling award and certificate won for recycling efforts at the LMBC.

Education, and Community Steward. The LMBC won in the Government category.

For more information on the Solid Waste Authority, visit mcswa.wordpress.com.

To learn more about cleaning up the Monongahela River, go to www.magicriverwv.com/monrevival.html. ❖

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Goals 1, 2, and 4

DOE Office of Legacy Management Sponsors First Long-Term Surveillance and Maintenance Conference

Three hundred people attended the 2010 Long-Term Surveillance and Maintenance (LTS&M) Conference held from November 15 through 18, 2010, in Grand Junction, Colorado. This was the first LTS&M Conference sponsored by the U.S. Department of Energy Office of Legacy Management (LM).

The theme of the conference was “Managing Today’s Change, Protecting Tomorrow’s Future: A Global Perspective on LTS&M”. The conference began with a welcome from Tom Pauling, Director of LM Office of Site Operations, and Teresa Coons, Mayor of Grand Junction. Dave Geiser, Director of LM, followed with an overview of LM’s 2011–2020 Strategic Plan.

The next 3 days were filled with general sessions, which audience members from a wide range of backgrounds could enjoy, and breakout sessions, which provided more in-depth discussions for people who knew more about the subject matter. Topics included property reuse, renewable energy, engaging the community, partnerships with Native American stakeholders, regulatory updates, groundwater remediation, applied science and technology, disposal cell covers, environmental design, institutional controls, and new science supporting LTS&M.

During the luncheon sessions, Richard Murphy, Director of Science and Education for the Ocean Futures Society, and Jeff Baker, Director of the Office of Laboratory Operations at the Golden, Colorado, field office, gave keynote speeches.

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Grand Junction Mayor Teresa Coons opened the conference with a presentation on Grand Junction.



Dave Geiser, Director of LM, gave a presentation on the 2011–2020 LM Strategic Plan.



Keynote speakers Richard Murphy (left) and Jeff Baker (right) provided presentations Tuesday and Wednesday.

Breakout sessions and panel discussions were methods used to provide attendees with a variety of information.



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Many conference participants took field tours of the Grand Junction Disposal Site and the Rifle Sites.

In developing the conference, LM's objective was to provide a forum for interested parties to discuss issues related to LTS&M, such as planning for LTS&M during remediation, using technology in LTS&M, managing property, addressing regulatory issues, taking political and stakeholder perspectives into account, using renewable energy, and managing information and making it accessible.

For more information on the conference or to read presentations given there, visit www.lm.doe.gov/ltsm_conference.



Many conference attendees took advantage of the Grand Junction Disposal Site tour. Joe Desormeau (LM, in orange vest) speaks to tour participants about operations at the site.



Sixty-five conference attendees participated in the tour of sites near Rifle, Colorado. Rich Bush (LM, right) describes features of the Rifle Disposal Site.



Goal 1

Remediation to Begin at the Highway 160 Site, Tuba City, Arizona

The Navajo Nation has been concerned for years about potential contamination on a site located approximately 5 miles east of Tuba City, Arizona, and across the highway from the Tuba City Disposal Cell. The area, named the Highway 160 Site, covers 16 acres of unoccupied land, but there are residences nearby. The area was traditionally used for grazing. The contamination zone comprises 8 acres of land that has been fenced off to restrict public access.

Surface cleanup and construction of the Tuba City Disposal Cell was originally managed under the U.S. Department of Energy's (DOE) Uranium Mill Tailings Remedial Action Project and completed in 1990. A survey of the Highway 160 Site was never requested, nor was it identified as a potentially contaminated area during the surface program.

In 2009, Congress decided to appropriate funds to clean up the Highway 160 Site. Funding for that cleanup came through DOE's Office of Environmental Management (EM). DOE's Office of Legacy Management (LM) and the Navajo Nation already had a cooperative agreement in place, which would expedite transfer of funding and allow the Navajo Nation to begin the environmental cleanup quickly. EM and LM collaborated to modify the scope of the cooperative agreement and transfer the cleanup funds to the Navajo Nation Environmental Protection Agency (NNEPA). "The spirit of cooperation among DOE offices and NNEPA during this process demonstrates everyone's commitment to ensure a timely cleanup," said Don Metzler, EM Federal Project Director.

NNEPA chose to use S&K Aerospace, LLC, EM's Technical Assistance Contractor for the Moab Project, because their qualified staff and specialized equipment were readily available. Work plans were developed in the summer of 2010, allowing DOE and NNEPA representatives to present the work plans to the public at a meeting of the Tuba City Chapter of the Navajo Nation held on September 2, 2010.



Field technicians operating a Geoprobe® at the Highway 160 Site characterization.

Field characterization began on September 13, 2010, and the entire surface within the fenced area was scanned for radiological anomalies. A 90-foot grid was surveyed and test holes were drilled by direct push methods (Geoprobe®) at each grid intersection. Core holes were logged for radiological levels and soil samples were sent for analysis at both the DOE facility in Moab and an independent laboratory. In addition, due to the potential for contaminated material removed from the processing site, 14 nearby residences were evaluated for radiological contamination. Several pieces of contaminated material from the processing site and pieces of ore were discovered; however, no radiological contamination was identified in the surveyed residences.

Field activities were completed on October 13, 2010. A final characterization report is due in January 2011, with remedial action scheduled to begin in the fourth quarter of 2011. LM and EM will continue offering technical assistance throughout the duration of the project, including transportation and waste disposal options. ❖



Goal 1

Environmental Justice

Community Leaders Institute— Johns Island, South Carolina

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) and the Medical University of South Carolina sponsored a Community Leaders Institute (CLI) on October 15 and 16, 2010. The CLI was held at the Wesley United Methodist Church Life Center in Johns Island, South Carolina. CLI reinforces the principle that progress requires informed and active leaders, and emphasizes the importance of taking environmental protection, human health, environmental justice, economic development, and sustainability into account during community development.



Participants applauding the opening session of the CLI.

U.S. Department of Energy's Federal and Contractor Environmental Justice Annual Attorney's Training

On October 19 and 20, 2010, DOE's Environmental Justice Program Manager presented a summary of the 2009 environmental justice training session conducted during last year's annual training. The presentation covered eight topics: the definition of environmental justice, the history of environmental justice, health risks, the Federal government's response to health risks, the basis of environmental justice in the Federal government, environmental justice in DOE, the intent of DOE's *Environmental Justice Strategy*, and DOE's *Environmental Justice Five-Year Implementation Plan*.

The program manager also discussed the partnership between the DOE Office of Legacy Management (LM) and Office of Human Capital Management to make environmental justice training available online for all DOE Federal and contractor personnel.



*Fletcher Honemond,
Chief Learning Officer;
Director, Office of Learning
and Workforce Development.*

2010 Learning and Workforce Development Forum and Environmental Justice Training

The DOE Office of Human Capital Management, in partnership with LM, held the Learning and Workforce Development Forum and Environmental Justice Training in Albuquerque, New Mexico, from November 1 through 5, 2010. The theme of the forum was "Collaboration Through Teamwork for Mission Critical Results". This marked the first time that the forum emphasized environmental justice. The forum familiarized the DOE training community with environmental justice and encouraged instructors to include environmental justice in the courses they teach DOE employees and contractors. The forum included a Federal interagency panel, a panel on energy, and a listening session for Native American and Hispanic community members.

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Fourth Annual National Conference on Health Disparities

The Congressional Black Caucus Health Braintrust held its fourth annual National Conference on Health Disparities. The conference was held in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, from November 10 through 13, 2010. The conference focused on the social determinants of health, including education levels; health literacy; poverty; public safety; community design; environmental quality; environmental justice; and personal, governmental, and corporate responsibility. Conference presenters and participants discussed ways to reduce disparities in health, reviewed programs that have done so, and recommended policies to strengthen and enhance the current medical model of health. The conference was planned in conjunction with the Tri-Caucus Health Taskforce chairs.

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Left to right: Mr. Michael Rashid, The Honorable Jewell Williams, Ms. LaVarne Burton, The Honorable Joe Armstrong, The Honorable Calvin Smyre, and The Honorable Rodney Ellis participate in a roundtable discussion with leaders from state and local governments and the private sector on Health Care Reform.



Above left to right: The Honorable Donna Christensen, Dr. David Rivers, Mr. Michael Rashid. Congresswoman Donna Christensen presents Dr. David Rivers with the Eagle Award for his vision and leadership in creating and conducting the fourth Health Disparities Conference since its inception.



The Honorable James Clyburn was the luncheon speaker on Successful Community-Based Programs for Strengthening and Sustaining Healthy Communities.



Lisa Jackson, Administrator, EPA, spoke on Using Public and Private Equity Investments To Strengthen and Sustain Our Communities: Can We Strategically Invest Our Way Out of Health Disparity and into Health Equity?



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White House and Environmental Protection Agency Environmental Justice Forum

On September 22, 2010, the White House Council on Environmental Quality and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) met with a dozen Federal agencies to jointly acknowledge our shared responsibility to reinvigorate the Federal Interagency Working Group on Environmental Justice. Revitalizing the Working Group will reaffirm the Obama Administration's commitment to environmental justice. Everyone who attended the meeting affirmed his or her agency's commitment to environmental justice. In particular, DOE will work closely with environmental justice leaders and community stakeholders from across the country to address environmental justice issues.

DOE used the meeting as an opportunity to present three active projects that would benefit from interagency collaboration: the Annual State of Environmental Justice In America Conference, the Community Leaders Institute, and the Minority Renewable Energy Consortium.

On December 15, 2010, the White House Council on Environmental Quality and EPA followed up their meeting with a forum on environmental justice. The forum convened environmental justice leaders; state, local, and Tribal government officials; Cabinet members; and other senior Federal officials for a discussion on creating a healthy and sustainable environment for all Americans. The forum gave the environmental justice community a chance to speak with officials from Federal agencies engaged in this effort. ❖



Left to right: Administrator Martha Johnson, General Services Administration; Secretary Ray LaHood, Department of Transportation; Secretary Ken Salazar, Department of Interior; Nancy Sutley, White House Council on Environmental Quality; Administrator Lisa P. Jackson, EPA; Attorney General Eric Holder, Department of Justice; Administrator Shaun Donovan, Department of Housing and Urban Development. Under Secretary of Energy, Kristina Johnson, lower left, represented Secretary Chu.



Save the Date

The Fifth Annual State of Environmental Justice in America 2011 Conference

April 27–29, 2011 • Washington, DC

Washington Marriott at Metro Center
775 12th Street NW
Washington, DC 20005

For additional information, contact Melinda Downing,
Environmental Justice Program Manager, at
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Minority Alternative and Renewable Energy Research Conference

April 27, 2011 • Washington, DC

Washington Marriott at Metro Center
775 12th Street NW
Washington, DC 20005

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Alaska Forum on the Environment

February 7–11, 2011 • Anchorage, AK

Dena'ina Civic and Convention Center
600 W. 7th Ave.
Anchorage, AK 99501

For more information, visit <http://akforum.com>.

2011 Brownfield's Conference

April 3–5, 2011 • Philadelphia, PA

1101 Arch Street
Pennsylvania Convention Center
Philadelphia, PA 19107

The National Brownfield's Conference is the largest, most comprehensive conference focused on cleaning up and redeveloping abandoned, underutilized, and potentially contaminated properties in the nation. Attendees of the conference gain access to more than 100 educational and learning opportunities, outstanding plenary sessions, 200 exhibitors, scores of networking events, special training sessions, film screenings, book signings, and much, much more.

For additional information please visit
www.Brownfields2011.org.

10th Annual New Partners for Smart Growth Conference: Building Safe, Healthy, and Livable Communities

February 3–5, 2011 • Charlotte, NC

Westin Charlotte Hotel
601 S. College St.
Charlotte, NC 28202

The conference will feature over 100 sessions, including close to 400 speakers, on such topics as equitable development, sustainability standards, financing smart growth, vacant-property policies, and gentrification. For more information, visit <http://www.newpartners.org/program.html>.



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Former Nuclear Testing Site To Become a Wildlife Refuge and Working Demonstration Forest

Mississippi Department of Health tested core samples from more than 360 trees to determine if the trees could be safely harvested. The results showed no evidence to restrict the harvesting of timber from the site.

Wayne Tucker from the Mississippi Forestry Commission, who will be in charge of the forestation plan for the site, was pleased that the site was transferred to the state. "I really appreciate your enthusiasm for keeping this on track and making it happen," Tucker told Jack Craig, the LM site manager at the time of the transfer.

Craig was pleased that the deed of transfer was signed before his retirement at the end of 2010. "This was the culmination of several years of work," said Craig. "It was a pleasure working with the people from the State of Mississippi and I'm delighted that Mississippians will be able to enjoy this beautiful site."

DOE retains the rights to the subsurface of the Salmon Site property and will continue to regularly monitor surface water and groundwater to ensure protection of public health and the environment. ❖



Art Kleinrath (far left), new LM Site Manager for the Salmon Site, and Steve Schiesswohl (far right), Team Leader of the LM Asset Management Team, look on as retiring LM Site Manager Jack Craig (left) congratulates Wayne Tucker of the Mississippi Forestry Commission on the site transfer.

DOE Celebrates the 41st Earth Day

On April 22, 2011, the United States will celebrate the 41st anniversary of the founding of Earth Day, which marked the beginning of the modern environmental movement. As in years past, the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Office of Health, Safety, and Security is leading DOE's coordinated Earth Week observance. The 2011 Earth Day celebration will showcase DOE's dedication to cleaning up the environment and using resources sustainably. It will culminate in a DOE-wide Earth Day program held at the Forrestal Building in Washington, DC, from April 18 through 22, and in Germantown, Maryland, from April 25 through 29. The EStar Awards ceremony will be held at DOE Headquarters on April 21.

DOE invites the public to participate on Community Day, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on April 21 at the Forrestal Building. Community members can play educational games, take a walk through the garden, see presentations on green technology and the environment, interact with hands-on displays, and take home free souvenirs. ❖



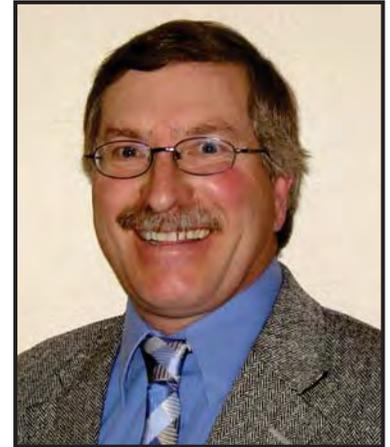


Goal 5

Leadership Change for Office of Site Operations

Ray Plieness has stepped down from his post as the Director of the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Office of Legacy Management (LM), Office of Site Operations (OSO) to take on a new and challenging project involving the relocation of a U.S. naval base from Japan to Guam.

Prior to becoming the OSO director, Ray worked for DOE as a project manager, as a site manager, and in multiple leadership positions within LM and the DOE Office of Environmental Management (EM). Since coming to DOE in 1995, Ray worked toward achieving the LM goals to improve human health, the environment, and the use of Federal lands and resources. Ray's leadership, experience, and insight will be missed.



Ray Plieness

The Office of Legacy Management (LM), which oversees, long-term surveillance and maintenance activities at 87 existing sites, welcomes Tom Pauling as the new Director of the OSO. Tom holds a bachelor of science degree in chemical engineering from Washington University in St. Louis, Missouri.

Tom's experience includes work with the Missouri Department of Natural Resources, the Environmental Protection Agency Region VIII, and DOE's EM and LM offices. In LM, Tom previously served as Environment Team Lead and a site manager. Tom has relocated from Grand Junction to work in LM's Washington, DC, office. ❖



Tom Pauling

Goal 5

Office of Legacy Management Welcomes a New Employee

Teresa Collins joined LM's Human Resources team in October as a human resource specialist. She has over 27 years of Federal service. Teresa started her career as a stay-in-school clerk at the U.S. Secret Service while attending school at the University of the District of Columbia. Shortly thereafter, the Secret Service offered her a full-time position as their counterfeit clerk. After 6 years with the Secret Service, she was offered a position with the Office of Management and Budget, where she worked as a program assistant for 11 years. During her time there, she worked for various program offices, including the Office of Privatization and the Office of General Services Administration, before coming to DOE's Office of the Chief Financial Officer in 2000. Once Teresa came to DOE, she worked diligently as a management specialist. Her previous experience in human resources and the administrative arena has brought her to LM's Office of Business Operations. ❖



Anticipated LM Sites Through FY 2015





Legacy Management Goals



Goal 1: Protect human health and the environment through effective and efficient long-term surveillance and maintenance. This goal highlights DOE's responsibility to ensure long-term protection of people, the environment, and the integrity of engineered remedies and monitoring systems.

Goal 2: Preserve, protect, and make accessible legacy records and information. This goal recognizes LM's commitment to successfully manage records, information, and archives of legacy sites under its authority.



Goal 3: Support an effective and efficient work force structured to accomplish Departmental missions and assure continuity of contractor worker pension and medical benefits. This goal recognizes DOE's commitment to its contracted work force and the consistent management of pension and health benefits. As sites continue to close, DOE faces the challenges of managing pension plan and health benefits liability.

Goal 4: Manage legacy land and assets, emphasizing protective real and personal property reuse and disposition. This goal recognizes a DOE need for local collaborative management of legacy assets, including coordinating land use planning, personal property disposition to community reuse organizations, and protecting heritage resources (natural, cultural, and historical).



Goal 5: Improve program effectiveness through sound management. This goal recognizes that LM's goals cannot be attained efficiently unless the Federal and contractor work force is motivated to meet requirements and work toward continuous performance improvement.

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