

Environmental Management Public Outreach Summary
Department of Energy, Idaho Operations Office
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Compiled for the June 23, 2016 Citizens Advisory Board Meeting

Formal Public Interaction

- **April 27: INL Citizens Advisory Board Meeting:** Twin Falls, Idaho
- **April 23– Idaho Falls Earth Day:** The Idaho Cleanup Project staffed a booth at the Idaho Falls Earth Day event that promoted environmental education and awareness. Volunteers also partnered with the Bonneville County Sheriff's Department to offer a disposal drop-off for unused and expired medications.
- **May 18: Explanation of Significant Differences:** An advertisement ran in the Idaho Falls Post Register announcing the availability of an Explanation of Significant Differences document regarding two former injection wells at the Advanced Test Reactor Complex. The ad discussed the need to bring the two sites into compliance with a previous record of decision that required cleanup to residential levels.
- **May 23: DOE News Release:** The U.S. Department of Energy Office of Environmental Management (EM) announced that it has notified the State of Idaho that it is unlikely to meet the deadline for initiation of treatment of the sodium-bearing waste at the Integrated Waste Treatment Unit.
- **June 5: Naval Reactors Facility Five-Year Review:** An advertisement ran in the Idaho Falls Post Register announcing the beginning of the five-year review process for Operable Units 8-05/-06 and 8-08 at the Naval Reactors Facility. The ad contained a link to the Environmental Protection Agency's website to further explain the five-year review process as well as a link to the Administrative Record.
- **June 14: EM Assistant Secretary Tour:** EM Assistant Secretary Monica Regalbuto recently toured the Idaho Site's environmental management operations including the Advanced Mixed Waste Treatment Project, the Accelerated Retrieval Project, and the Integrated Waste Treatment Unit.
- **June: 15: NRC Early License Renewal Application Public Meeting:** The DOE Idaho Operations Office National Regulatory Commission (NRC) License Manager presented information to the NRC on DOE Idaho's NRC license renewal efforts and aging management program for the Three Mile Island and Fort St. Vrain Independent Spent Fuel Storage Installations.

Additional Community Interaction

- **May 31: Idaho Site Environmental Cleanup Reception:** The city of Idaho Falls and the Partnership for Science and Technology jointly hosted a reception at the Idaho Falls Arts Museum to honor the outgoing cleanup contractors, and to highlight the accomplishments of the Idaho Cleanup Project over the past 10 years. A number of state and local leaders spoke at the reception, including ICP Deputy Manager Jack Zimmerman of DOE.
- **June 8: Idaho Falls Post Register Tour:** A representative from the Idaho Falls Post Register newspaper observed INL Site groundwater monitoring activities as part of a tour hosted by the United States Geological Survey (USGS).
- **June 15: DOE Laboratory Operations Board Tour:** The DOE Laboratory Operations Board toured the Advanced Mixed Waste Treatment Project and the Integrated Waste Treatment Unit.
- **June 15: National Conference of State Legislatures Nuclear Legislative Working Group Tour:** The National Conference of State Legislatures Nuclear Legislative Working Group toured the Advanced Mixed Waste Treatment Project.

Upcoming Formal Public Interaction

- **June 29-30: Idaho Site Tour:** The National Association of Attorneys General is planning to meet in Idaho Falls and tour Idaho Site facilities.
- **June/July: Public Comment Period:** The Department of Energy submitted an application to the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) for a Clean Air Act permit to construct with a facility emission cap component (PTC/FEC). When the permit has been drafted, DEQ will provide it to the public for review and comment. The comment period will be 30-days in length and comment submittals will be to the DEQ. The start of the comment period will be noticed on the DEQ website. The PTC/FEC will change the regulatory status of the INL Site from a major source to an area source. Completion of the draft is anticipated for June/July.
- **October 27: INL Citizens Advisory Board Meeting:** Sun Valley, ID