



# PROGRAM UPDATE

## Office of Legacy Management United States Department of Energy January – March 2005

Welcome to the January – March 2005 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 from various offices within LM.

In this issue of the Program Update, we are highlighting the Department's portion of the President's FY2006 Budget proposal to Congress, future land use planning support to the City of Monticello, Utah and to a local nonprofit conservation group, and the memorandum that was signed by LM and the Office of Environmental Management (EM) issuing site transition guidance.

### **BUDGET ROLLOUT**

On Monday, February 7, the Secretary presented the Departmental portion of the President's budget proposal for FY 2006 to Congress. This budget included about \$79 million for LM spread between Other Defense Activities and Energy Supply.

The Other Defense Activities included the following approximate amounts: \$11 M for Long Term Surveillance and Maintenance (LTS&M); \$19.5 M for Pension and Benefit Continuity; \$0.5 for Environmental Justice; and, \$13.5 for program direction. No funding was requested for the Records Management facility (which received funding in the FY 2005 appropriation) or for the Worker and Community Transition program.

The Energy Supply was divided between LTS&M (about \$16 M) and Pension and Benefit Continuity (about \$17.5 M).

### **PROPERTY MANAGEMENT AND COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE**

LM provided future land use planning support to the City of Monticello, Utah and to a local nonprofit conservation group to better utilize the 383 parcel transferred to the City under the Federal Lands-to-Parks program. LM and the Department's National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) partnered to screen the property for its solar and wind power. The land was also evaluated for a science park that would be used to demonstrated solar power demonstration projects.



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LM reviewed the nonprofit conservation group's science park plan and provided them with economic development advice, including a benchmark study of an existing science park with solar power exhibits and associated grant contacts. LM will also review park revitalization efforts in the future to ensure that erosion controls are maintained to prevent contact with subsurface residual contamination on the site.

## **SITE TRANSITION ACTIVITIES**

On February 15, 2005, Mike Owen, Director, LM, and Paul Golan, Acting Assistant Secretary for EM, co-signed a memo issuing guidance regarding the transition of sites from EM to LM. That guidance included three documents: (1) *Terms and Conditions for Site Transition*; (2) *Site Transition Plan Guidance, December 2004*; and, (3) *Site Transition framework for Long-Term Surveillance and Maintenance*.

- The *Terms and Conditions for Site Transition* identifies the terms and conditions for managing and funding site transition activities between EM and LM. The document includes roles and responsibilities for the two programs with respect to the planning process, budget responsibility, workforce issues, records management and information technology, contracts and grants, real property, and contingency.
- The *Site Transition Plan Guidance* represents EM and LM's point expectations up to and including the point of programmatic transfer. This will normally be the start of the fiscal year following EM physical completion. Site Transition Plans are a collaborative effort by EM and LM staff. The plans describe the key transition activities, including schedule, milestones, and required resources.
- The *Site Transition framework for Long-Term Surveillance and Maintenance* provides the requirements or conditions that must be addressed before a site can be transferred from EM to LM. The framework serves as the primary tool to evaluate whether all relevant transition activities and end-point criteria have been identified.

The memorandum and guidance are available at LM's website, [www.LM.doe.gov](http://www.LM.doe.gov).



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