

**Environmental Management Public Outreach Summary Department of  
Energy, Idaho Operations Office  
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**Formal Public Interaction**

- **January 12th: INL Citizens Advisory Board Meeting :** Idaho Falls, Idaho
- **January 28<sup>th</sup>: Public Comment Period:** The 30 day public comment period for the Draft Environmental Assessment for the Stand-Off Experiment Range at Idaho National Laboratory closed.
- **February 3rd: Idaho Site 5-year Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) Review Report Issued:** An Idaho Cleanup Project team has completed work on the site-wide five-year review of cleanup at the Idaho Site. The review identified several issues and recommendations relating to information needs. In general, the review concludes that remedies at the Idaho Site remain protective of public health and the environment. Changes may be needed to improve performance at one groundwater cleanup site at the Test Area North facility. Under CERCLA, a review takes place every five years at a cleanup site until that site qualifies for unrestricted land use. Several five-year reviews for individual cleanup actions have been completed for the Idaho Site, with the first one published in 1998. The five-year review evaluates the status and performance of response actions under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act, otherwise known as CERCLA or Superfund.
- **February 23rd: Congressional Brief:** Members of the Idaho Cleanup Project's Line Management Team met with Congressman Raul Labrador in Boise to discuss and progress on the Idaho Cleanup Project.
- **February 23rd: DOE Headquarters Tour:** The Assistant Secretary for Environmental Management, Dr. Ines Triay, toured the Integrated Waste Treatment Unit, and the Accelerated Retrieval Project.
- **March 2nd: INL Evening at the Discovery Center-** Boise, Idaho
- **March 8th: Idaho Site's Quarterly Congressional Briefing:** The Acting Deputy Manager for the Idaho Cleanup Project participated in the meeting, with senior leadership from the INL. The purpose of the quarterly meeting is to update local congressional staff members on cleanup status, upcoming events and issues.
- **March 15th, INL Citizens Advisory Board Meeting:** Idaho Falls, Idaho

## **Additional Community Interaction**

- **February 7-8: Idaho Site Tour:** Members of the Japan Atomic Energy Agency toured the Advanced Mixed Waste Treatment Project and the Idaho Cleanup Project.
- **February 24th: Congressional Staffer Tour:** Idaho Congressman Mike Simpson's Washington D.C. staffer, Peter Friedman, toured the Advanced Mixed Waste Treatment Project, and the Idaho Cleanup Project.

## **Upcoming Formal Public Interaction**

- **April 6th: Idaho Cleanup Caucus Presentation-** Washington, D.C.
- **April 29th-May 1st: Idaho Hispanic Youth Symposium:** The Idaho Hispanic Youth Symposium will be held in Sun Valley, Idaho. The symposium brings together Hispanic high school students from throughout Idaho to listen to motivational speakers and to participate in interactive workshops designed to enhance self-esteem, leadership and problem-solving skills, as well as to examine possible career paths for the future. The students compete in speech, talent, athletic and interactive skill contests for awards and scholarships. The INL's Hispanic Youth Symposium has been recognized by the governor as exemplary in helping Idaho's families and children.
- **May 11th- Public Hearing:** The public hearing for the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for Greater Than Class C Low-Level Radioactive Waste and GTCC-Like Waste will be held in Idaho Falls.
- **June 27th: Public Comment Period Closes:** The public comment period for the Draft Environmental Impact Statement for Greater Than Class C Low-Level Radioactive Waste and GTCC-Like Waste closes.
- **May 18th : INL Citizens Advisory Board Meeting:** Idaho Falls, Idaho
- **May-June: Keep Yellowstone Nuclear Free Tour:** Keep Yellowstone Nuclear Free director James Powell has requested a tour of the Idaho Cleanup Project. The tour is expected to occur this spring.