NOTICE OF PROPOSED FLOODPLAIN AND WETLAND ACTION AT THE SAVANNAH RIVER SITE

The Department of Energy has proposed herbicide application at certain utility rights-of-way floodplain and wetland crossings to effectively control tree growth. Herbicide application will be by hand using backpack sprayers. A Floodplain and Wetland Assessment is being prepared in compliance with 10 CFR 1022 as documentation of potential impacts of the proposed action. The rights-of-way crossings subject to the assessment are associated with the watersheds of Upper Three Runs, Four Mile Branch, Pen Branch, Steel Creek, and Lower Three Runs within Aiken County, South Carolina and Barnwell County, South Carolina. A fifteen (15) day public comment period on the proposed action will be from September 28, 2017 to October 13, 2017.

Hard copies of the Flood Plain and Wetland Assessment are available at the following locations:

- Reese Library Government Information Section at Augusta University in Augusta, GA; and
- Asa H. Gordon Library at Savannah State University in Savannah, GA.

An electronic copy of the Flood Plain and Wetland Assessment can be found at the following website:

http://www.srs.gov/general/pubs/envbul/nepa1.htm.

Copies of the Floodplain and Wetland Assessment for Herbicide Application to Utility Rights-of-Way at the Savannah River Site will be available in the Administrative Record after the end of the public comment period. The Administrative Record is available in the information repositories listed below:

- DOE Public Reading Room at the Gregg-Graniteville Library at the University of South Carolina (USC), Aiken campus in Aiken, SC; and
- Thomas Cooper Library Government Documents Department at USC in Columbia, SC.