

CHAIRS ROUND ROBIN

Spring 2022





NEVADA SITE SPECIFIC ADVISORY BOARD ROUND ROBIN

Board Interests/Concerns:

- Some EM-chartered advisory boards will soon sunset when the EM programs they advise reach mission end-state. This includes the NSSAB. Has there been any discussion at the EM Headquarters level regarding the future of similarly situated boards and potential impacts on continued public involvement in those communities?
- The safe transportation of offsite waste to the Nevada National Security Site (NNSS) is always a top priority for the NSSAB. As such, the NSSAB asks that the Department of Energy consider engaging the Department of Transportation to discuss optimizing inbound route selection to further promote the safe transportation of waste to the NNSS.

Board Accomplishments:

- The NSSAB utilized new and innovative approaches in its recent new member recruitment campaign to support a diverse, inclusive, and well-balanced Board membership.
- Use of hybrid meetings helped the NSSAB remain a strong and cohesive board through COVID.



SAVANNAH RIVER SITE CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD

Hot Topics

- L-Basin de-inventory accelerated
- Salt Waste Processing Facility: 2 million gallons in Year 1
- Rate of D&D of unused facilities (\$ for this low-hanging fruit)

Activities/Accomplishments

- CAB 2022 meetings: 100% in person
- 6 → 21 members (of 25)
- Energy for increased outreach



HANFORD ADVISORY BOARD

Successes:

- The Board and its subcommittees have continued to meet virtually
- We are looking forward to hybrid and in-person meetings
- The Board issued three pieces of consensus advice, including:
 - Requesting a plan for mitigating leaks for old single shell tanks that could leak some remaining liquid before final waste retrieval
 - Requesting DOE to reconsider term limits for long time members
 - Presenting the annual Board perspective on Hanford Site cleanup priorities



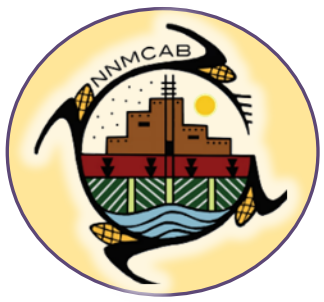
OAK RIDGE SITE-SPECIFIC ADVISORY BOARD

Activities / Accomplishments

- Board members received a detailed overview of the Federal Advisory Committee Act and its role in EM SSAB
- Successfully onboarded new members and elected board officers
- Prepared FY 23 membership package
- Planning for major groundwater decision/recommendation for East Tennessee Technology Park (ETTP)
- Members attended 2022 Waste Management Symposia

Challenges

- Recruiting new members and meeting diversity targets during COVID
- Retrofitting meeting facilities to accommodate in-person/virtual hybrid meetings
- Inability to tour sites, virtual tours limited in comparison



NORTHERN NEW MEXICO CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD

Activities / Accomplishments

- Maintained quorum and held all full Board, Executive, and standing committee meetings in virtual or hybrid format, increasing the number of participants for each meeting
- Even with Covid restrictions, seven individuals were recruited and appointed as new members and four members agreed to reappointment to an additional term
- EM-1 and Site Manager amenable to increasing the NNMCAB area to include more Tribal entities and communities affected by waste management activities from Los Alamos

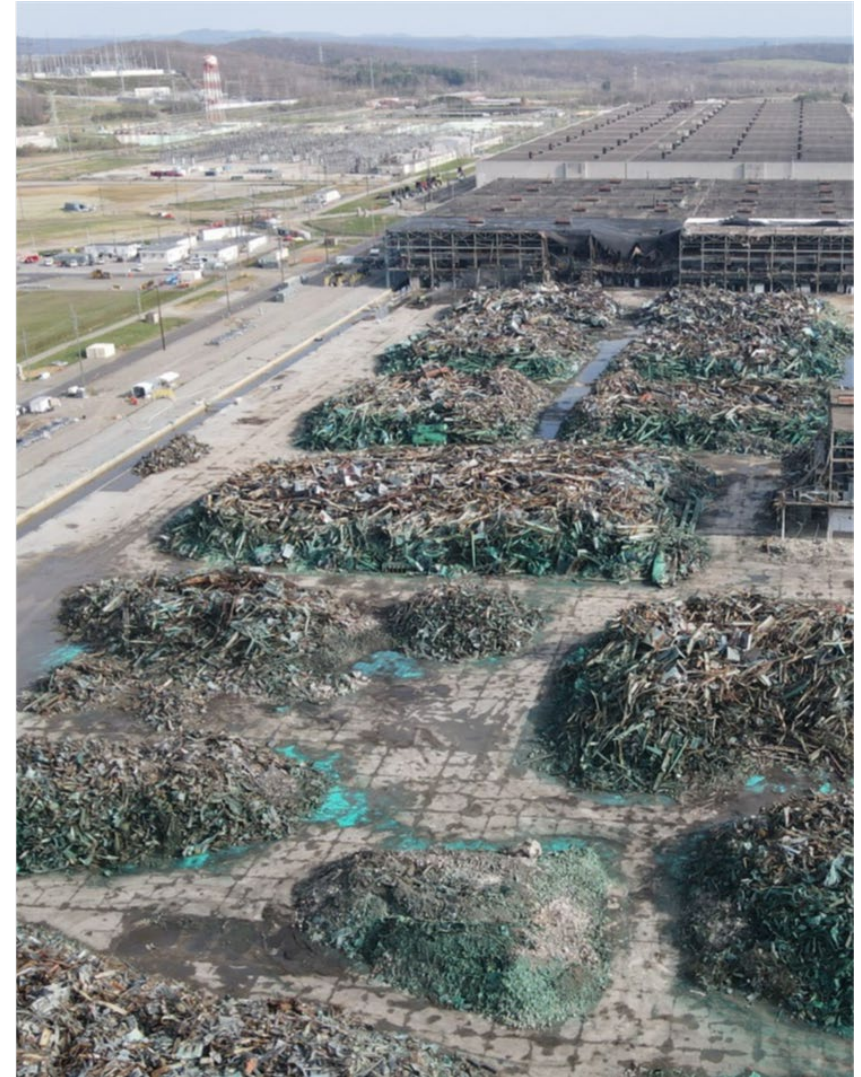
Challenges

- Delays in getting nomination packages approved caused several individuals to have to step back from participating for several months
- NM COVID restrictions all but removed opportunities for external interaction with the public, but hybrid meetings increased the number of participants for each meeting; Covid safe practices are still impacting our processes



PORTSMOUTH CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD

- Communication of additional air monitoring data from around the site, verified by OEPA and ODH, has improved stakeholder confidence and knowledge of the site
- Tremendous progress has been made in the demolition of the X-326 process building. D&D has been done safely and efficiently with continuous updates and discussion on the progress
- DOE-Ports has had a great deal of success bringing in outside, independent experts to help explain and contextualize the cleanup process





PADUCAH CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD



- Paducah CAB expresses our appreciation to DOE for its commitment to health and safety during the COVID pandemic.
- With limited onsite staffing, DOE Paducah maximized this time to move ahead on critical infrastructure projects.
- Not only did these improvements provide immediate savings to the Paducah site but they also provided a pathway for quick implementation of future flywheel projects if needed.
- Collaborative planning and foresight, along with routine discussions with the CAB and local stakeholders, made this effort a huge success.



IDAHO CLEANUP PROJECT CITIZENS ADVISORY BOARD

ICP CAB Hot Topics:

- Protection of the Snake River Plain Aquifer by monitoring and tracking cleanup progress and milestones related to compliance with the Idaho Settlement Agreement (ISA) and other cleanup-related regulatory and legal agreements
- Overseeing the safe startup of the steam-reforming technology at the Integrated Waste Treatment Unit (IWTU) to begin processing 900,000 gallons of liquid sodium-bearing high-level waste

ICP CAB Goals:

- Urge timely decision-making and funding to support activities related to SNF repackaging and calcine retrieval and packaging to meet 2035 ISA milestones
- Encourage the development of a complex-wide plan and process to move forward and establish certainty on identifying, funding, and opening a long-term high-level waste repository
- Expedite decision-making related to the resumption of RH-TRU emplacement at WIPP

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- ✓ Completed exhumation of targeted buried waste from 5.69 acres of the Subsurface Disposal Area
- ✓ Successfully transitioned prime contractor Fluor Idaho to Idaho Environmental Coalition, LLC (IEC)