



Department of Energy

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Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board
U.S. Department of Energy
1000 Independence Avenue, SW
Washington, DC 20585

Dear Members:

Thank you very much for your October 29, 2025, letter welcoming me as Assistant Secretary for Environmental Management (EM). It is an honor to serve in this role and lead an office which has accomplished so much and is poised to continue its successes in remediation, restoration, and site renewal. These key actions go hand in hand with the new era we are in of energy dominance, innovation, and progress.

While I may be new to this role, I am not new to the importance of community engagement and open, transparent communication with stakeholders. For many years I lived near Rocky Flats, a former Department of Energy (DOE) EM cleanup site that had an EM Site-Specific Advisory Board (SSAB) local board. As evident in the case of Rocky Flats, great things can be achieved when EM and the community come together and work jointly toward mission completion. It is important to me to ensure stakeholders continue to have a voice in the cleanup process and an avenue, like the EM SSAB, to provide advice and recommendations from a community perspective to the Department.

I look forward to continuing the mutually beneficial relationship DOE has with the EM SSAB and hearing the perspectives you bring from your communities.

If you have any questions, please contact me or Ms. Kelly Snyder, the EM SSAB Designated Federal Officer, at (702) 918-6715 or kelly.snyder@em.doe.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Timothy J. Walsh", is positioned above the printed name.

Timothy J. Walsh
Assistant Secretary
for Environmental Management

cc: Kelly Snyder, EM-2.33