

Oak Ridge Site Specific Advisory Board



New Member Orientation



What is ORSSAB?

ORSSAB is a volunteer citizens panel that provides independent advice and recommendations to the U.S. Department of Energy's Oak Ridge Environmental Management (EM) Program.

The EM Program is responsible for cleaning up areas of the Oak Ridge Reservation that have been contaminated with radioactive or hazardous waste.



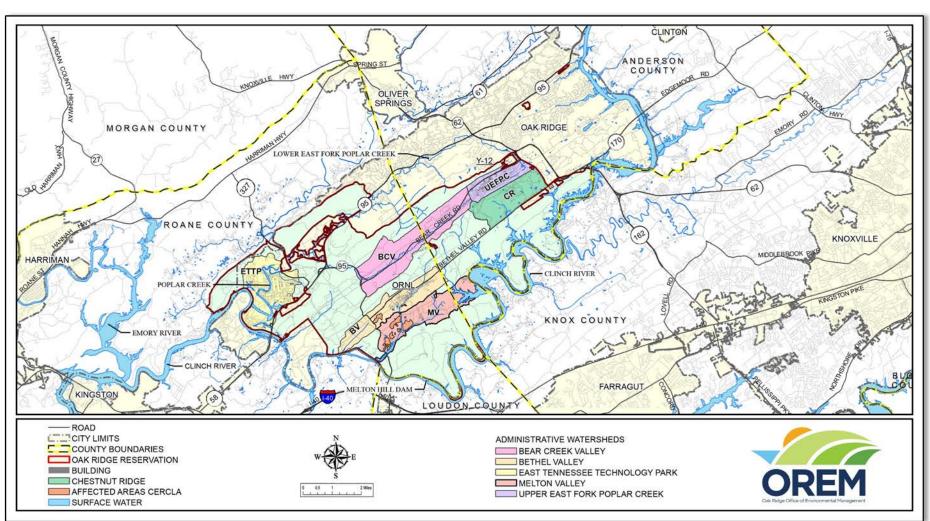
Mission

The mission of the Oak Ridge SSAB is to provide informed advice and recommendations concerning site specific issues related to the DOE Environmental Management Program at the Oak Ridge Reservation.

In order to provide unbiased evaluation and recommendations on the cleanup efforts related to the Oak Ridge site, the Board seeks opportunities for input through collaborative dialogue with the communities surrounding the Oak Ridge Reservation, governmental regulators, and other stakeholders.

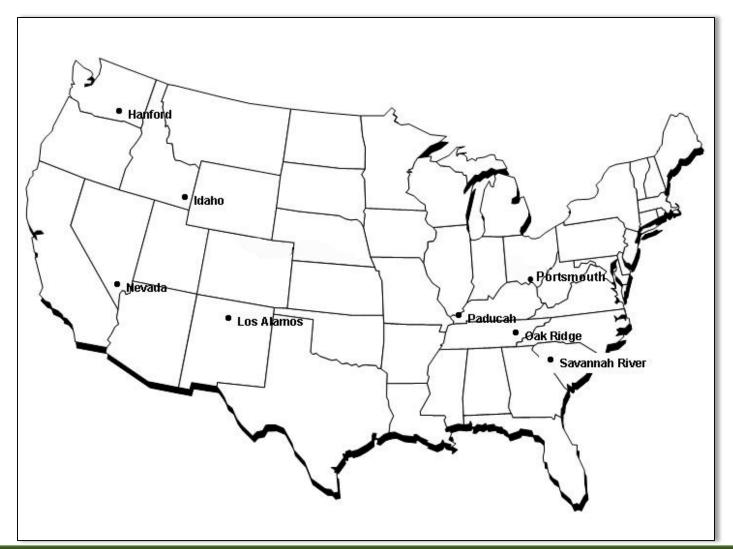


Oak Ridge Reservation





ORSSAB is Part of the National EMSSAB





The Eight Local Boards

Each SSAB has its own bylaws and work plan. They meet to discuss common issues during the semiannual chairs meetings.





Membership

ORSSAB can have up to 22 members, selected to reflect a diversity of interests, gender, race, and other criteria





Officers



Shell Lohmann Vice Chair



Dennis Wilson Chair



Richard Burroughs Secretary



Leon Shields EM/Stewardship Committee Chair



Liaisons



Jay Mullis OREM Manager



Dave Adler DDFO



Melyssa Noe Alternate DDFO



Connie Jones EPA Liaison



Kristof Czartoryski TDEC Liaison



Staff





Shelley Kimel

- General direction for SSAB support office
- Executive Committee support
- HQ coordination
- Membership
- Travel
- Special events (chairs meetings, SSAB annual meeting)

Sara McManamy-Johnson

- Monthly board meetings & notebooks
- EM/Stewardship Committee support
- Publications & website
- News & correspondence files
- Student representatives
- Tours



How Recommendations Are Made

- The board can make recommendations whenever desired, and DOE can also request a recommendation
- ➤ Recommendations are usually the result of a presentation to the board about a cleanup project
- Writing a recommendation is usually done by an issue group: volunteers interested in the topic who start drafting the recommendation based on discussion at the EM/Stewardship Committee level



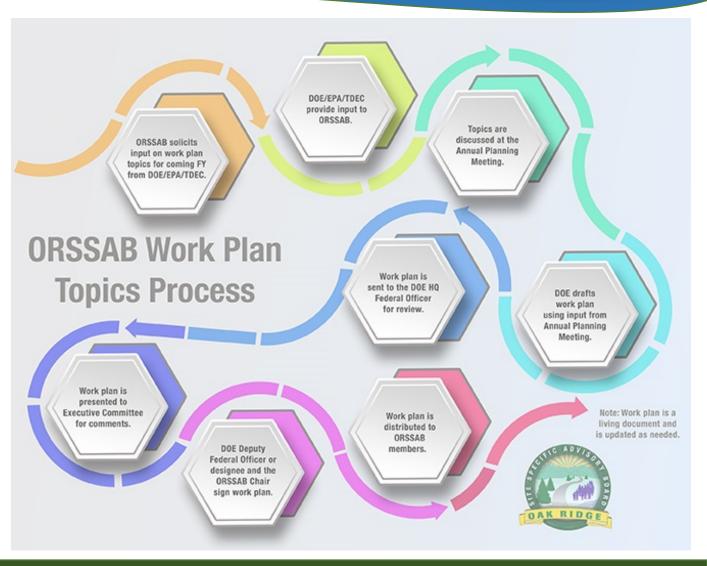
How Recommendations Are Made

- ➤ The draft recommendation is reviewed by the committee, where revisions may be made
- ➤ The recommendation goes to the Executive Committee for review and is then presented to the board for approval
- ➤ If it is approved and sent to DOE, DOE can either accept the recommendation or decline
- ➤ The response is reviewed by the EM/Stewardship Committee to determine if the response is adequate or if follow-up is needed



The Work Plan

The board meets annually to select topics to address in the coming year





Monthly Meetings

Board meeting

- 2nd Wednesday, 6 p.m.
- Notebook materials
- Agenda
- Name tent

Committee meeting

- 4th Wednesday, 6 p.m.
- Agenda
- Name tent





Member Responsibilities

- > Attendance at monthly board and committee meetings
 - Ask questions
- > Take advantage of tours, training sessions, and workshops
 - Tours on a topic are generally scheduled between the board and EM & Stewardship Committee meetings
 - Travel opportunities are included in the monthly meeting packet
- Standards of conduct
 - Ethics / Conflicts of interest



Member Responsibilities

- 1. Attend meetings and participate fully in the affairs of the board.
- 2. Serve on the EM/Stewardship Committee.
- 3. Review materials and help with recommendations.
- 4. Be available for committee work between meetings.
- 5. Work collaboratively and respectfully with other members and liaisons.
- 6. Accurately represent all matters before the board.
- 7. Handle information and materials in a responsible manner.
- Share any written/emailed communication about or for board activities with the board and the DDFO.
- 9. Abide by the terms and conditions of the SSAB Charter and Bylaws.



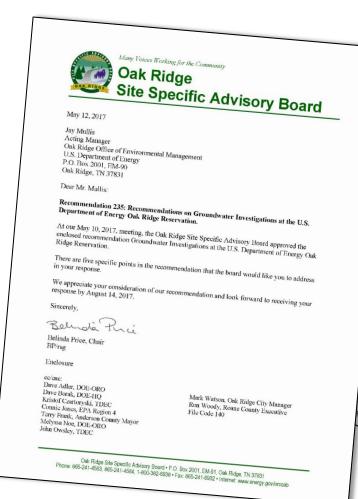
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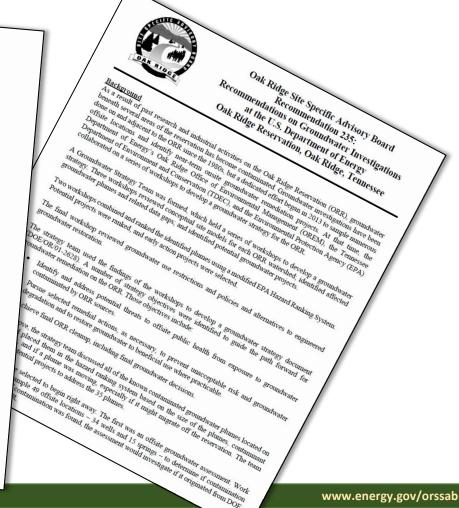
- Orientation manual
- > Informal mentoring
- > Tours
- > Travel



How ORSSAB Makes a Difference

More than 230 recommendations to DOE







How ORSSAB Makes a Difference

Community Outreach

PRINT:

- Monthly meeting newspaper ads
- News releases
- Brochure
- FAQ handout
- Quarterly newsletter
- Annual report

ELECTRONIC:

- ORNL, Y-12, ETTP website posts
- Emails to media, elected officials
- ORSSAB website
- Social media

BROADCAST:

- Cable TV
- Infomercials

OTHER:

- · Booth at area events
- Outreach presentations to community organizations





Questions?



Progress and History of the Environmental Management Program, and How the Oak Ridge SSAB has Influenced the Program

Dave Adler July 2018

Oak Ridge SSAB History



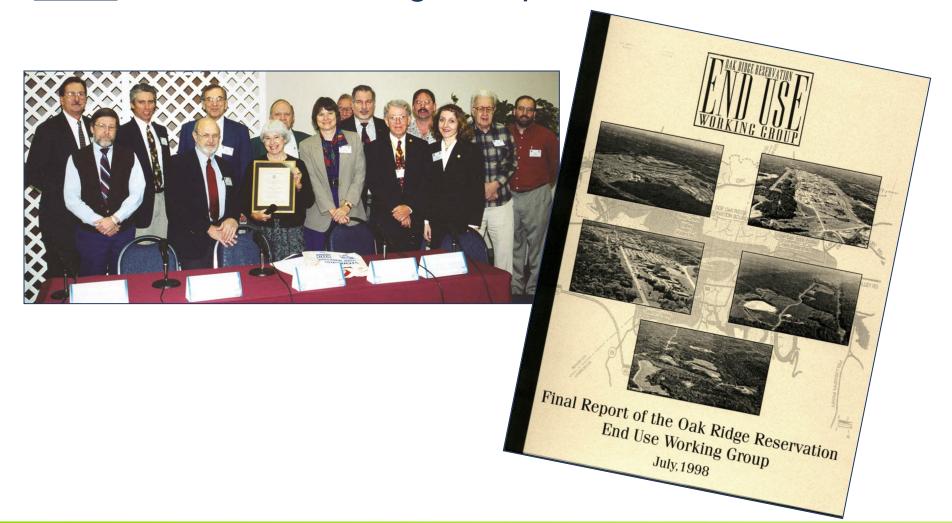
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Oak Ridge SSAB History



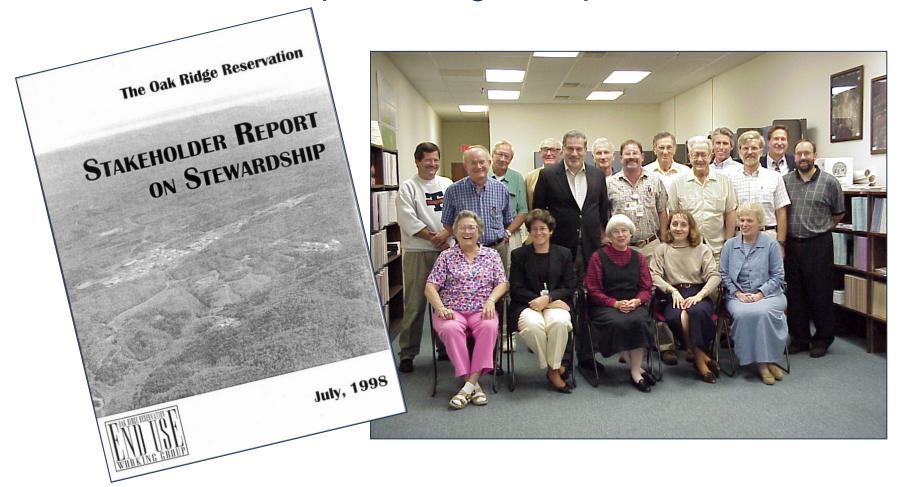
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1997: Stewardship Working Group is formed





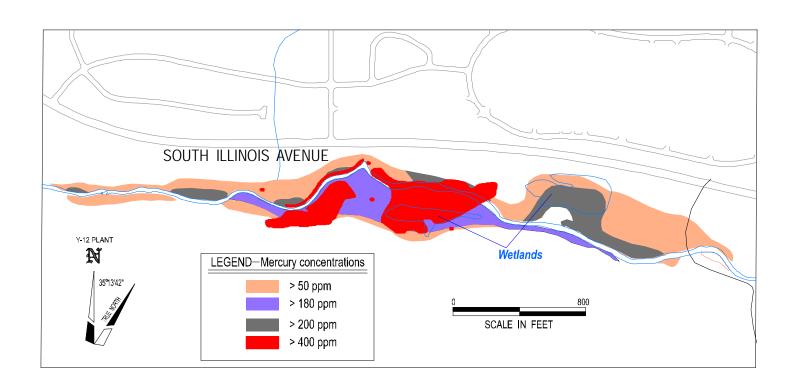






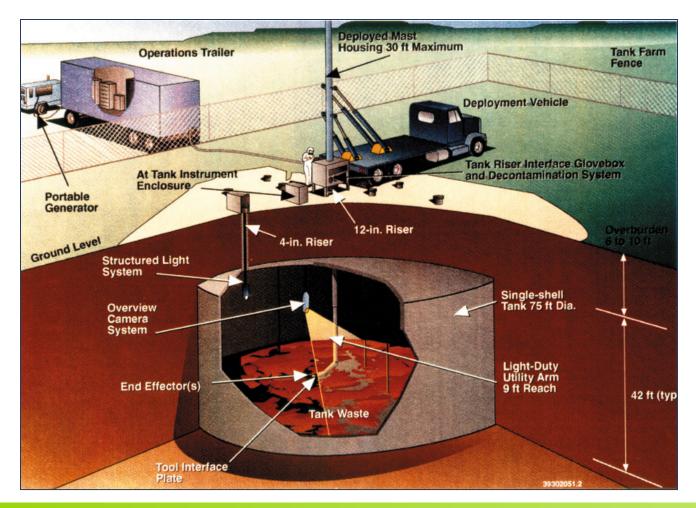


1997: Remediation of Lower East Fork Poplar Creek completed





2000: Gunite Tanks completed





2002: Disposal begins at the EM Waste Management Facility





2004: Processing and packaging begins at the Transuranic Waste Processing Center







2006: Melton Valley remediation completed near ORNL







2006: Last of 6,000 depleted uranium hexafluoride cylinders shipped





2006: EM's private Haul Road opens, diverting 110,000 waste shipments off public highways to date





2016: Congress provides funding to address risks at Y-12 and ORNL excess contaminated facilities





2016: EM completes removal of all former gaseous diffusion uranium enrichment buildings at the East Tennessee Technology Park





2017: U-233 Direct Disposition Campaign completed





2017: EM breaks ground on the Y-12 Mercury Treatment Facility





2018: COLEX project captures 10,000 lbs. of mercury, preventing environmental release





2019: Private company announces \$500 million investment plan to locate & operate at ETTP



SSAB Influence on EM



Over 230 recommendations since 1995

- ORSSAB recommendations have an effect on every aspect of the EM program:
 - Budget, waste management, oral history, stewardship, remedy selection/implementation
 - 10 recommendations on EM Waste Management Facility
 - 20 recommendations on Melton Valley cleanup
 - > 43 recommendations on long-term stewardship

SSAB Influence on EM



 Every major record of decision developed under EM has had heavy SSAB involvement

 None of the final RODs have been at odds with majority SSAB opinions

 End Use and Stewardship Working Groups, ORSSAB recommendations have ongoing influence

SSAB Influence on EM



- DOE, EPA, and the State are very interested in the SSAB's opinions and factor them into their decision-making as a matter of course
- ORSSAB provides DOE and the regulators with a forum for understanding stakeholder perspectives





