



Nevada Site Specific Advisory Board

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Wednesday, March 25, 2015**

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NSSAB MEETING ATTENDANCE

Full Board Meetings

October 2014 through September 2015 (FY 2015)

Name	11/19/14	1/21/15	2/18/15	3/25/15	5/20/15	7/15/15	9/16/15	Max Terms
MEMBERS								
Michael Anderson	E	√	√					2020
Amina Anderson	√	√	√					2020
Michael D'Alessio	√	√	√					2020
Pennie Edmond	√	√	√					2020
Donna Hruska	√	√	√					2016
Janice Keiserman	√	√	√					2018
James Manner	√	√	√					2020
Michael Moore	√	√	√					2016
Donald Neill	√	√	√					2020
Edward Rosemark	√	√	√					2018
Steve Rosenbaum	√	√	√					2020
William Sears	√	√	√					2018
Thomas Seley	√	√	√					2020
Cecilia Flores Snyder	√	√	E					2020
Jack Sypolt	√	√	E					2017
James Tallant	√	√	√					2020
Francisca Vega	√	√	E					2020
LIAISONS								
Clark County	√	√	E					
Consolidated Group of Tribes and Organizations	√	√	E					
Elko County Commission	U	U	V					
Esmeralda County Commission	E	E	√					
Lincoln County Commission	U	U	E					
Nye County Commission	E	E	U					
Nye Co. Nuclear Waste Repository Project Office	√	√	√					
State of NV Division of Env Protection	√	√	√					
U.S. Natl Park Service	E	√	E					
White Pine Co. Commission	U	U	U					
KEY: √ = Present V=Vacant E = Excused U = Unexcused RM = Remove RS = Resign								

Fiscal Year 2017 Baseline Prioritization Work Plan Item #7



Robert Boehlecke
Environmental Management Operations Manager
U.S. Department of Energy
Briefing to Nevada Site Specific Advisory Board
March 25, 2015



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Tonight's Path Forward

- Baseline briefing
- The Ranking Process
- Description of each task
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Environmental Management (EM) Baseline Defined

- Tool that provides for life-cycle planning and execution of a mission
 - Includes scope of work, cost estimates, and schedule
 - Elements are fully integrated



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EM Baseline Components

- Scope of Work – the description of all work elements that need to be accomplished
- Cost Estimates– the estimated cost, number of hours, and type of labor resources, material, equipment, etc.
- Schedule – timeline and prioritization of work to be completed that identifies predecessor/successor tasks



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EM Baseline Planning Considerations

- Annual Funding
 - Approved fiscal year budgets versus continuing resolution
 - Scope prioritized to maximize the amount of work that can be accomplished
- Resource Availability
- Weather Conditions
- Risk Analysis
 - Uncertainties built into baseline



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EM Baseline Status and Changes

- EM Contractors report monthly performance status to Nevada Field Office (NFO)
- Baseline changes are made when scope is added, deleted, or modified
 - Requires NFO approval



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Nevada National Security Site (NNSS) EM Baseline Project Baseline Summaries

- NNSS EM Baseline separated into three Project Baseline Summaries (PBS) as follows (not in priority order):
 - Soil and Water Remediation (PBS VL-NV-0030)
 - Soils
 - Underground Test Area
 - Industrial Sites
 - EM Program Management (includes NSSAB support)
 - Operate Waste Disposal Facility (PBS VL-NV-0080)
 - Low-Level Waste
 - Nevada Community and Regulatory Support (PBS VL-NV-0100)
 - Agreements in Principle and Grants



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EM Life-Cycle Baseline for Fiscal Year (FY) 2015 - 2030

Scope	Planning Estimates (\$K)	Schedule Completion
Soils	\$117,291	FY 2030
Underground Test Area	\$388,295	FY 2030
Industrial Sites	\$78,648	FY 2030
Program Management	\$116,924	FY 2030
Low-Level Waste	\$473,895	FY 2030
Agreements in Principle and Grants	\$69,645	FY 2030
EM NFO Grand Total	\$1,244,697	FY 2030



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The Ranking Process

- Presentation of each of the 10 tasks
 - Each task has been assigned a letter
 - Tasks are either individual items or groupings of items
- Group discussion with members and liaisons
- Each member will rank the tasks with 1-10 points using their worksheet
 - 10 points being highest priority and 1 point being lowest priority

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Task – A

Off-Site Soils - Three Corrective Action Units (CAUs)

- CAU 413, Clean Slate II Plutonium Dispersion (located on the Nevada Test and Training Range [NTTR])
 - Complete Corrective Action Decision Document (CADD) and submit to the State of Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP)
 - Initiate Corrective Action Plan (CAP)



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NSSAB Baseline Prioritization Worksheet Name _____

Task	Title	Notes	Baseline Ranking (1-10 points)*
A	Off-Site Soils - Three Corrective Action Units (CAUs)		
B	NNSS Soils - Two CAUs		
C	Pahute Mesa - Geologic and Hydrologic Analysis of Data Collection		
D	Pahute Mesa - Flow and Transport Activities		
E	All UGTA CAUs - Annual Sampling		
F	Yucca Flat - Model Evaluation Activities		
G	Yucca Flat - Multiple-Well Pumping Test		
H	Rainier Mesa/Shoshone Mountain - Closure Activities		
I	Area 5 Radioactive Waste Management Disposal Operations		
J	Mixed Low-level Waste (MLLW) Activities		

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The Ranking Process

(continued)

- NSSAB Office will tally the rankings and present the results to the Full Board tonight
- Further discussion, if necessary
- NSSAB will vote on final ranking recommendation



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FY 2017 Soils Tasks



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Task – A

Off-Site Soils - Three Corrective Action Units (CAUs)

- CAU 413, Clean Slate II Plutonium Dispersion (located on the Nevada Test and Training Range [NTTR])
 - Complete Corrective Action Decision Document (CADD) and submit to the State of Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP)
 - Initiate Corrective Action Plan (CAP)



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Task – A

Off-Site Soils - Three Corrective Action Units (CAUs)

- CAU 414, Clean Slate III Plutonium Dispersion (located on the NTTR)
 - Complete Corrective Action Investigation Plan and submit to NDEP
 - Initiate CADD



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Task – A

(continued)

Off-Site Soils - Three Corrective Action Units (CAUs)

- CAU 541, Small Boy (located on both the Nevada National Security Site [NNSS] and NTTR)
 - Complete Closure Report (CR) and submit to NDEP



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Task – B

NNSS Soils – Two CAUs

- CAU 568, Area 3 Yucca Flat Plutonium Dispersion Sites
 - Complete CR and submit to NDEP



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Task – B

(continued)

NNSS Soils - Two CAUs

- CAU 573, Alpha Contaminated Sites
 - Complete CAP and submit to NDEP
 - Initiate CR



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FY 2017 Groundwater Characterization Tasks



Sam Marutzky
Underground Test Area (UGTA)
Program Integration
Navarro



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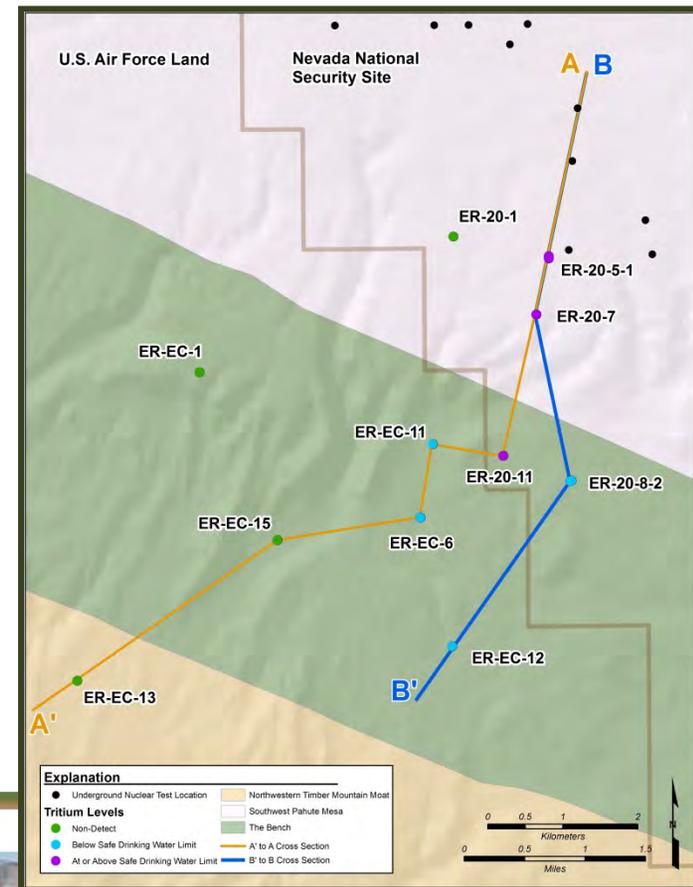
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Task – C

Pahute Mesa – Geologic and Hydrologic Analysis of Data Collection

- Complete the geologic data analysis
 - Hydro-stratigraphic units
 - Fault models
 - Fracture interpretations
- Begin the hydrology data analysis
 - Transmissivity
 - Recharge/discharge
 - Water chemistry
 - Flow direction/velocity



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Task – D

Pahute Mesa – Flow and Transport Activities

- Continue the source term analysis
 - Unclassified radiologic source term
 - Decay constants
 - Cavity volume
- Identify and document all transport parameters
 - Effective porosity
 - Dispersivity
 - Matrix diffusion
 - Fracture/matrix/colloid sorption



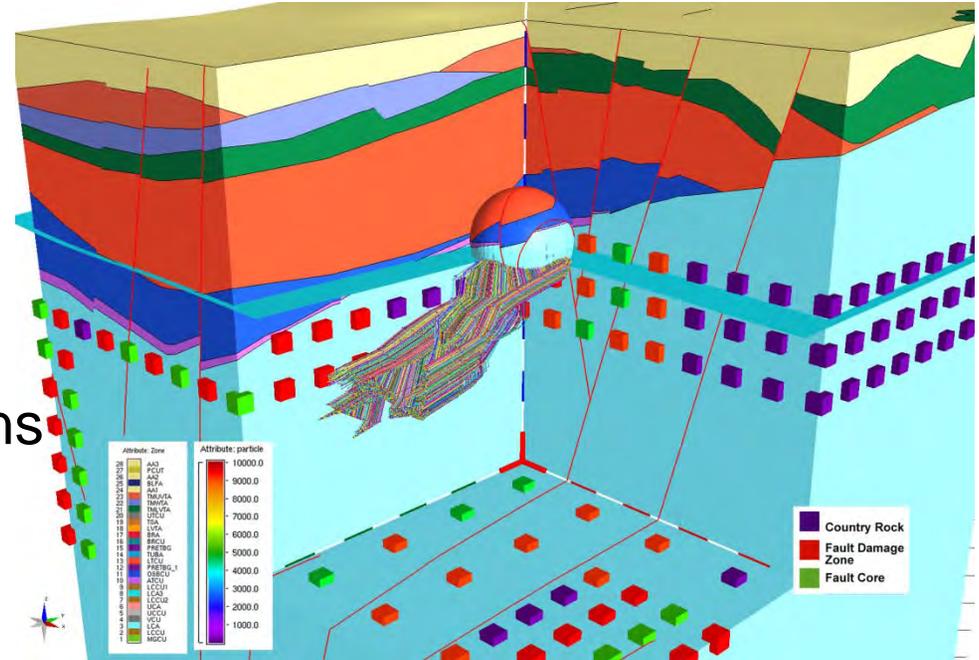
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Task – D (continued)

Pahute Mesa – Flow and Transport Activities

- Begin flow and transport model development (analysis and evaluation)
 - Water levels
 - Groundwater chemistry
 - Radionuclide concentrations
 - Geochemical mixing
 - Groundwater age dating



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Task – E

All UGTA CAUs – Annual Sampling

- Continue ongoing sampling activities for each CAU as prescribed by the NNSS Integrated Sampling Plan
 - 73 active wells, six categories
 - Two-five year frequency
 - Primary contaminant of concern is tritium



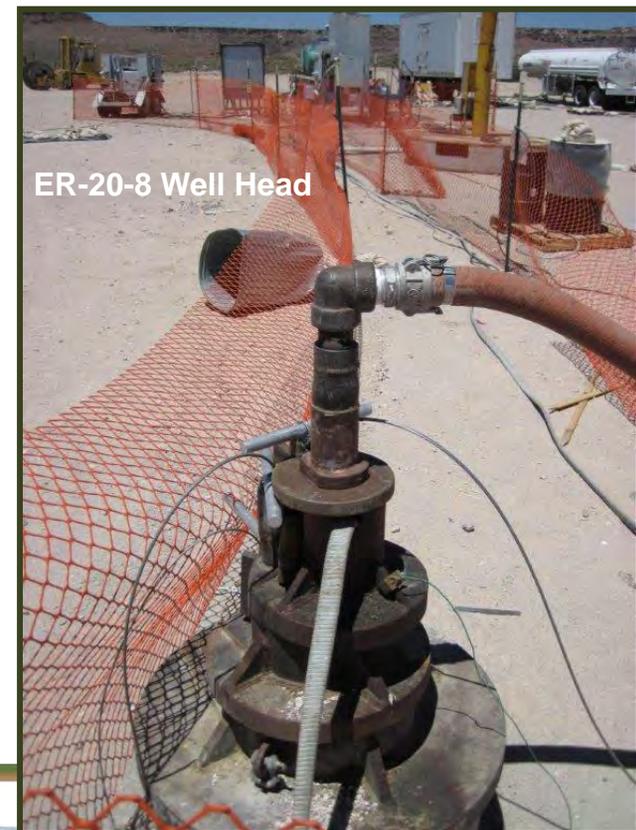
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Task – F

Yucca Flat – Model Evaluation Activities

- Complete well development and testing for three wells
 - Likely multiple completions for each well



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Task – G

Yucca Flat – Multiple-Well Pumping Test

- Continue multiple-well pumping test
 - Task will be better defined after the model evaluation wells are drilled and data analyzed
 - Continuous water-level monitoring will be conducted during drilling and testing
 - Very useful and inexpensive tool for examining hydraulic property uncertainties



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Task – H

Rainier Mesa/Shoshone Mountain – Closure Activities

- Close out External Peer Review
- Establish long-term monitoring requirements
- Negotiate regulatory and use restriction boundaries with NDEP
- Submit CR to NDEP



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FY 2017 Low-Level Waste Tasks



Jhon Carilli
Low-Level Waste Activity Lead
U.S. Department of Energy



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Task – I

Area 5 Radioactive Waste Management Disposal Operations

- Maintain capability to safely receive and dispose approximately 1.2M cubic feet of U.S. Department of Energy Low-Level Waste (LLW)/ Mixed LLW
- Continue environmental monitoring activities at the Area 5 Radioactive Waste Management Complex



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Task – I

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Area 5 Radioactive Waste Management Disposal Operations

- Maintain Performance Assessment, Composite Analysis, and Documented Safety Analysis to dispose waste
- Continue facility evaluations of generators per the NNSW Waste Acceptance Criteria



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Task – J

Mixed Low-Level Waste (MLLW) Activities

- Continue MLLW Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) cell construction



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Final Tallied Rankings

Task	Title	A. Anderson	D'Alessio	Edmond	Hruska	Keiserman	Manner	Moore	Neill	Rosenbaum	Rosemark	Sears	Seley	Snyder	Sypolt	Vega	Total Points
A	Off-Site Soils - Three Corrective Action Units (CAUs)																0
B	NNSS Soils - Two CAUs																0
C	Pahute Mesa - Geologic and Hydrologic Analysis of Data Collection																0
D	Pahute Mesa - Flow and Transport Activities																0
E	All UGTA CAUs - Annual Sampling																0
F	Yucca Flat - Model Evaluation Activities																0
G	Yucca Flat - Multiple-Well Pumping Test																0
H	Rainier Mesa/Shoshone Mountain - Closure Activities																0
I	Area 5 Radioactive Waste Management Disposal Operations																0
J	Mixed Low-level Waste (MLLW) Activities																0



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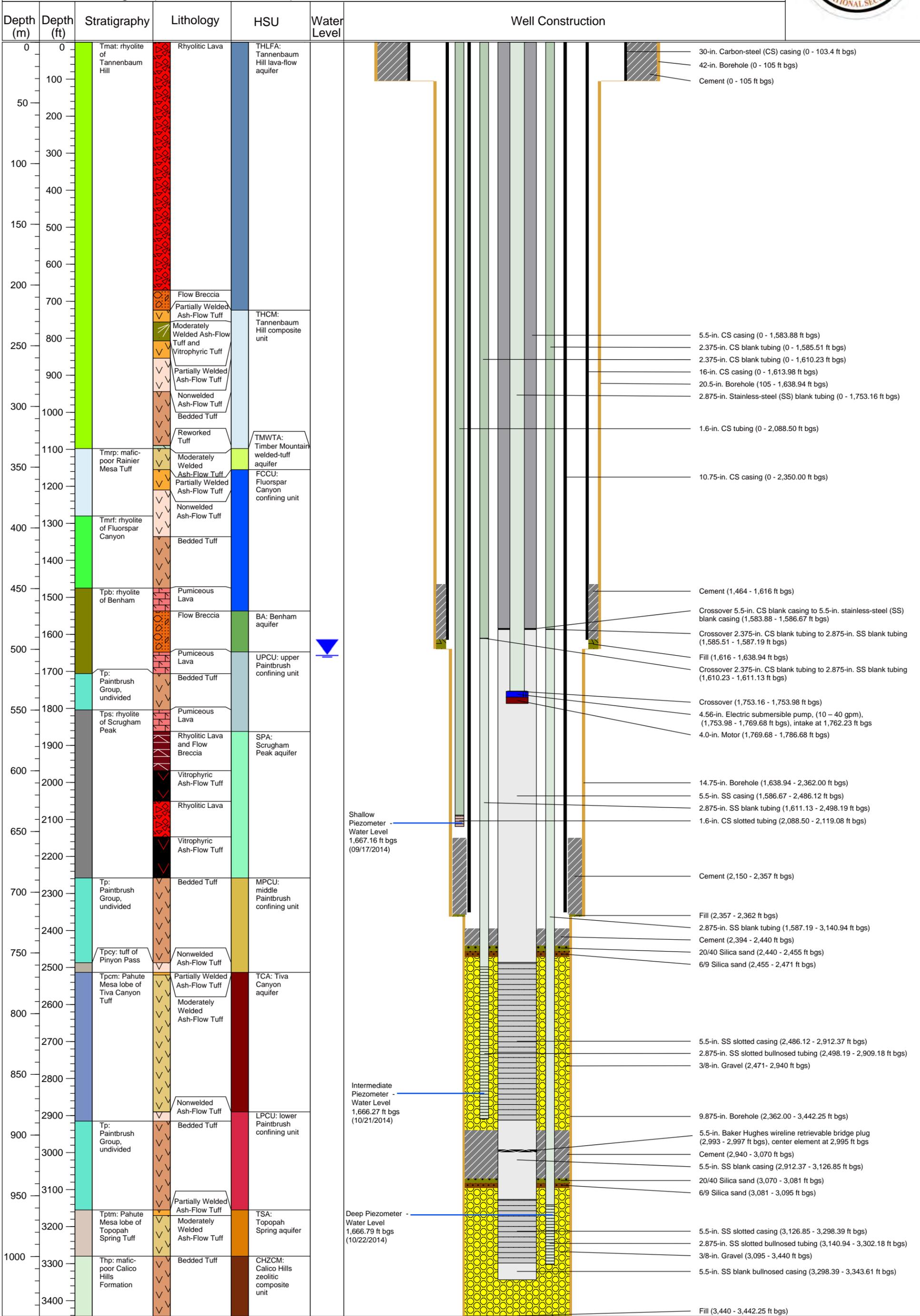
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Well ID: ER-20-8	UTM NAD 27	Northing: 4,116,218.33 m	Easting: 546,686.35 m
Start Date: 07/12/2009	Stop Date: 08/15/2009	NNSP NAD 83	Northing: 6,271,065.35 m
Drilling Program: Pahute Mesa Phase II	Lat/Long NAD 83	Deg N: 37.193032	Deg W: 116.474866
Environmental Contractor: UGTA/SNJV	Surface Elevation	5,848.3 ft amsl	1,782.56 m amsl
Drilling Contractor: United Drilling Inc.	Drill Method: Rotary Air Foam	Drilled Depth: 3,442.25 ft bgs	



Well Construction Diagram (Current as of 11/19/2014)





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SUBJECT: Nevada Site Specific Advisory Board (NSSAB)
Recommendation for Fiscal Year (FY) 2016 Baseline
Prioritization—Work Plan Item #6

Dear Mr. Wade:

The NSSAB has completed its annual review and prioritization of the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Nevada Field Office Environmental Management (EM) activities for the FY 2016 budget submittal.

At the March 19 Full Board meeting, the NSSAB was provided a list of EM activities and was asked by DOE to prioritize them by related groupings. The items listed below were ranked by the Board from the highest to the lowest priority, as follows:

1. Area 5 Radioactive Waste Management Disposal Operations
2. Pahute Mesa Geologic, Hydrologic, and Flow & Transport Analysis and Evaluation
3. Pahute Mesa Aquifer Tests
4. UGTA Annual Sampling Activities
5. Soils Studies
6. Off-Site Soils—Two Corrective Action Units (CAUs) (tie)
6. NNSS Soils—Three CAUs (tie)
7. Frenchman Flat Groundwater Characterization Closure Activities
8. Yucca Flat
9. Rainier Mesa/Shoshone Mountain (CAU 99) Closure Report

Thank you for the opportunity to participate in the annual budget prioritization and for the assistance provided by the EM staff. The federal staff took the

time to meet with the NSSAB and provided detailed information. We sincerely appreciate this support and look forward to your response regarding this year's budget submittal.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "KATHLEEN BIENENSTEIN". The signature is stylized and somewhat cursive.

Kathleen L. Bienenstein, Chair

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SUBJECT: Nevada Site Specific Advisory Board (NSSAB)
Recommendation for Fiscal Year (FY) 2017 Baseline
Prioritization—Work Plan Item #7

Dear Mr. Wade:

The NSSAB has completed its annual review and prioritization of the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), Nevada Field Office Environmental Management (EM) activities for the FY 2017 budget submittal.

At the March 25 Full Board meeting, the NSSAB was provided a list of EM activities and was asked by DOE to prioritize them by related groupings. The items listed below were ranked by the Board from the highest to the lowest priority, as follows:

- **Off-Site Soils—Three Corrective Action Units (CAUs)**
- **NNSS Soils—Two CAUs**
- **Pahute Mesa—Geologic and Hydrologic Analysis of Data Collection**
- **Pahute Mesa—Flow and Transport Activities**
- **All UGTA CAUs—Annual Sampling**
- **Yucca Flat—Model Evaluation Activities**
- **Yucca Flat—Multiple-Well Pumping Test**
- **Rainier Mesa/Shoshone Mountain—Closure Activities**
- **Area 5 Radioactive Waste Management Disposal Operations**
- **Mixed Low-Level Waste Activities**

Supporting information, as needed:

Thank you for the opportunity to participate in the annual budget prioritization and for the assistance provided by the EM staff. The federal staff took the

time to meet with the NSSAB and provided detailed information. We sincerely appreciate this support and look forward to your response regarding this year's budget submittal.

Sincerely,

Donna L. Hruska, Chair

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January 21, 2015

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SUBJECT: Recommendation for Waste Management Symposia Presentation
Review (Work Plan Item #1)

Dear Ms. Snyder,

The Nevada Site Specific Advisory Board (NSSAB) was asked to provide a recommendation, from a community perspective, to the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) on how the presentations could be enhanced for the Waste Management Symposia to be held in March 2015 in Phoenix, Arizona.

During the January 21, 2015 Full Board meeting, the NSSAB was provided a short overview by Mr. Scott Wade, Assistant Manager for Environmental Management, of his presentation, "Nevada National Security Site (NNSS) Area 5 Radioactive Waste Management Site-Safe, Secure and Responsible Disposal." Regarding the presentation, "NSSAB—Communicating Progress to Stakeholders on Groundwater at the NNSS," I requested NSSAB's input via email.

After Board discussion and deliberation at the January 21, 2015 Full Board meeting, the NSSAB does not have any recommendations at this time for enhancements to the above stated presentations. NSSAB suggestions to the NSSAB's presentation will be provided directly to me for incorporation into the presentation at my discretion.

The NSSAB appreciates the opportunity to review the above presentations to be given at 2015 Waste Management Symposia.

Sincerely,

Donna L. Hruska, Chair

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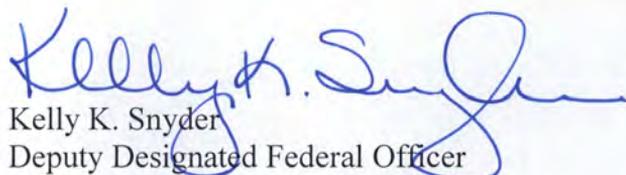
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RESPONSE TO RECOMMENDATION FOR WASTE MANAGEMENT SYMPOSIA
PRESENTATION REVIEW (WORK PLAN ITEM #1)

I would like to thank the members and liaisons of the Nevada Site Specific Advisory Board (NSSAB) for its review of the presentations for the Waste Management Symposia to be held in March 2015 in Phoenix, Arizona.

The Nevada Field Office acknowledges that the NSSAB has chosen not to make a formal recommendation for enhancing the following presentations, "Nevada National Security Site (NNSS) Area 5 Radioactive Waste Management Site-Safe, Secure and Responsible Disposal" or "NSSAB—Communicating Progress to Stakeholders on Groundwater at the NNSS".

Should you have questions and/or comments, please feel free to contact me at (702) 295-2836.



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