



# Nevada Site Specific Advisory Board

July 17, 2019

Mr. John Myers, UGTA Activity Lead  
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SUBJECT: Recommendation for Pahute Mesa Groundwater Sampling  
Well Prioritization (Work Plan Item #1)

Dear Mr. Myers,

The Nevada Site Specific Advisory Board (NSSAB) was asked to provide a recommendation, from a community perspective, to the U.S. Department of Energy on prioritizing the factors used by the EM Nevada Program to prioritize proposed well locations for Pahute Mesa.

In support of this work plan item, Ken Rehfeldt, Navarro's Underground Test Area (UGTA) Project Manager, provided a briefing and answered questions at the July 17, 2019 NSSAB Meeting.

After Board dialogue during the meeting, the NSSAB prioritized the factors from highest to lowest, as follows:

1. Expand knowledge of the flow system
2. Refine monitoring network
3. Support modeling

Special thanks to Mr. Rehfeldt for his time in briefing and answering questions regarding this work plan item.

Sincerely,

Frank Bonesteel, Chair

cc: David Borak, DOE/HQ (EM-4.32)  
Michelle Hudson, DOE/HQ (EM-4.32)  
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