



Nevada Site Specific Advisory Board

May 3, 2023

DDFO Robert Boehlecke
U.S. Department of Energy
Environmental Management (EM) Nevada Program
100 N. City Parkway, Suite 1750
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SUBJECT: Recommendation for Revegetation of EM Sites (Work Plan Item #5)

Dear DDFO Boehlecke,

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 improvements or enhancements to revegetation of EM sites.

In support of the scope of this work plan item, Tiffany Gamero, DOE's Long-Term Monitoring Lead, conducted a presentation and answered questions during the April 19, 2023 NSSAB Full Board Meeting. Ms. Gamero briefed on the importance of vegetation on closed landfill covers, history of revegetation of EM sites at the Nevada National Security Site, and a timeline of future revegetation efforts.

After Board discussion, the NSSAB recommends that the EM Nevada Program investigate using transplants of desert plant species from U.S. Department of Interior Bureau of Land Management lands to revegetate EM sites.

The NSSAB looks forward to receiving additional information and revisiting this work plan item during its July 19, 2023 Full Board Meeting.

Sincerely,

Anthony Graham, Chair

cc: Kelly Snyder, DOE/HQ (EM-4.32)
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