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RESPONSE TO THE NEVADA SITE SPECIFIC ADVISORY BOARD (NSSAB) RECOMMENDATION FOR POST CLOSURE INSPECTION AND EVALUATION FOR INDUSTRIAL SITES AND SOILS SITES AT THE NEVADA NATIONAL SECURITY SITE (NNSS) - WORK PLAN ITEM #7

Reference: Ltr Hilton to Boehlecke, dtd 4/24/25

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), EM Nevada Program appreciates the NSSAB's interest and input for ways the standard Post Closure Inspection Process for Industrial Sites and Soils sites on the NNSS could be improved or enhanced during the April 16, 2025, Full Board Meeting.

The EM Nevada Program acknowledges and responds to the following Board recommendation: *As technology evolves, consider using a remote sensing/drones program for visual inspections to reduce driving time and save resources/reduce trips, interspersed with human inspections.* The EM Nevada Program will consider and research options using remote sensing/drones for visual inspections in the future.

The EM Nevada Program values the Board's feedback and for taking the time to provide this recommendation for the Post Closure Process for Industrial Sites and Soils sites. Special thanks to Members Thomas Fisher and Robert Blackstock for spending the day at the NNSS with staff to observe our process and reporting back to the NSSAB in support of this work plan item.

Please feel free to contact the NSSAB Office at (702) 523-0894 with any questions or comments.

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