



Nevada Site Specific Advisory Board

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SUBJECT: Proposed Fiscal Year (FY) 2027 Nevada Site Specific Advisory
Board (NSSAB) Work Plan

Dear Mr. Boehlecke,

At our September 9, 2026, Full Board meeting, the NSSAB had the opportunity to review the list of activities the U.S. Department of Energy EM Nevada Program proposed the NSSAB incorporate into its FY 2027 work plan. After Full Board discussion, the NSSAB would like the EM Nevada Program's approval for the attached work plan.

We appreciate the opportunity to review and comment on EM activities at the Nevada National Security Site and look forward to another productive year.

Sincerely,

Mark Hilton, Chair

Attachment

cc: Michelle Hudson, DOE/HQ (EM-2.33)
Kelly Snyder, DOE/HQ (EM-2.33)
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Nevada Site Specific Advisory Board (NSSAB) Fiscal Year (FY) 2027 Work Plan

Work Plan Item #1	Work Plan Item/Topic:	Budget Update
	Type:	Informational
	Briefing/Discussion Date:	February 2027
	Recommendation Deadline:	N/A
	Description:	The EM Nevada Program will provide an update on the President's FY 2028 and the FY 2029 baseline.

Work Plan Item #2	Work Plan Item/Topic:	Proposed Monitoring Network for Central and Western Pahute Mesa Groundwater Corrective Action Units (CAUs) 101/102
	Type:	Actionable
	Briefing/Discussion Date:	April 2027
	Recommendation Deadline:	April 2027
	Description:	<u>Background:</u> In February 2027, the EM Nevada Program will provide an educational session on the strategy, functionality of the monitoring networks, and lessons learned for closed groundwater CAUs (Frenchman Flat CAU 98, Rainier Mesa/Shoshone Mountain CAU 99, and Yucca Flat/Climax Mine CAU 97) on the Nevada National Security Site (NNSS). The educational session will be a foundation for the work plan briefing in April 2027. In April 2027, the EM Nevada Program will provide a work plan briefing to the NSSAB describing the current status of Central and Western Pahute Mesa groundwater CAUs 101/102. The briefing will include sampling results, model results, potential monitoring locations, incorporation of lessons learned from closed groundwater CAUs, and planned path forward to closure. <u>NSSAB Scope:</u> From a community perspective, the NSSAB will provide recommendations on the proposed monitoring network for Pahute Mesa.

Dates, times, and topics are tentative and subject to change.

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Work Plan Item #3	Work Plan Item/Topic:	Public Involvement Post Environmental Restoration Mission Completion
	Type:	Actionable
	Briefing/Discussion Date:	June 2027
	Recommendation Deadline:	June 2027
	Description:	<u>Background:</u> EM will sunset the NSSAB in FY 2027 following receipt of public input on the final decision needed for completion of EM's environmental restoration mission. Local stakeholder engagement on the waste mission will continue through the Low-Level Waste Stakeholder Forum. The EM Nevada Program remains committed to identifying opportunities for the public to learn about and get updates on NNSS Area 5 waste disposal activities. <u>NSSAB Scope:</u> From a community perspective, the NSSAB will provide recommendations on future EM Nevada Program public outreach activities in support of continued awareness of the NNSS waste disposal mission. Recommendations should consider previous recommendations and limited federal/contractor resources in alignment with the reduced EM Nevada mission.

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