



# Nevada Site Specific Advisory Board

August 5, 2024

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U.S. Department of Energy  
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SUBJECT: Recommendation for Low-Level Waste (LLW) Facility Evaluations  
(Work Plan Item #3)

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) for how the Radioactive Waste Acceptance Program (RWAP) facility evaluations could be enhanced.

In support of the scope of this work plan item, Marilew Bartling, Navarro RWAP Manager, conducted a presentation and answered questions during the January 17, 2024, NSSAB Full Board Meeting. The briefing included a definition of a facility evaluation and its purpose. Her briefing also included information on the frequency, documentation, and personnel needed for a facility evaluation.

In June 2024, Members John Cole and Gary Elgort accompanied the RWAP team and observed first-hand facility evaluation activities at a generator site in Idaho. During the July 17, 2024, NSSAB Full Board Meeting, Members Cole and Elgort provided a very informational and thorough oral report on the facility evaluation process and their observations during their visit. Ms. Bartling was available to answer questions during both Full Board meetings.

After Board discussion, the NSSAB expressed its appreciation for the EM Nevada Program's support of its members to observe facility evaluations and recommends that future opportunities be made available to the Board.

Again, the NSSAB thanks the EM Nevada Program for the opportunity to observe facility evaluation activities in support of this work plan item. The Board looks forward to future opportunities.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Anthony Graham', is positioned below the word 'Sincerely,'.

Anthony Graham, Chair

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