



Nevada Site Specific Advisory Board

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SUBJECT: Recommendation for Annual Nevada National Security Site
Environmental Report (NNSSER) - Work Plan Item #2

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 ways that Chapter 11 of the NNSSER could be enhanced (i.e., readability, presentation of information, etc.).

In support of the scope of this work plan item, Tiffany Gamero, Regulatory/Federal Facility Agreement and Consent Order (FFACO) Lead from the EM Nevada Program, conducted a presentation and answered questions during the January 15, 2025, NSSAB Full Board Meeting. The briefing included an overview, DOE requirements, and purpose of the NNSSER. Her briefing also included information on Chapter 11 of the NNSSER that is dedicated to the EM Nevada Program environmental restoration mission activities.

During the January meeting, the NSSAB proposed seven recommendations on ways that Chapter 11 of the NNSSER could be enhanced:

- Provide a link to the FFACO in the reference section
- Update the Navarro STEM Grants information
- Add a clarification of the terms "closure" and "post-closure" in the context of the FFACO
- Strive for consistency in maps used in the NNSSER Summary to match the rest of the document
- Ensure that all locations referenced are included on the maps
- Make some of the maps larger by splitting up onto multiple pages so the symbols can be delineated and clearly seen
- Emphasize EM Nevada Program accomplishments earlier in the chapter

After careful consideration and lengthy discussions, I deferred finalizing these proposed recommendations to give NSSAB members additional time to review Chapter 11 of the NNSSER for any additional enhancements to the document. During the February 19, 2025, the NSSAB did not have additional recommendations and approved the seven recommendations listed above for the EM Nevada Program's consideration.

The Board thanks the EM Nevada Program for the opportunity to review Chapter 11 of the NNSSER and provide these recommendations for enhancements.

Sincerely,

Mark Hilton, Chair

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