

within 100-year or 500-year floodplain of streams at the plant. DOE has prepared a floodplain assessment describing the possible effects, alternatives, and measures designed to avoid or minimize potential harm to floodplains or their flood storage potential. DOE will allow 15 days of public review after publication of the Statement of Findings before implementation of the proposed action.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Robert C. Sleeman, Director, Environmental Restoration Division (EW-91), DOE Oak Ridge Operations Office, Post Office Box 2001, Oak Ridge, TN 37831, Telephone: (423) 576-3534, Facsimile: (423) 576-6074

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ON GENERAL DOE FLOODPLAIN ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW REQUIREMENTS, CONTACT: Carol M. Borgstrom, Director, Office of NEPA Policy and Assistance, EH-42, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20585, Telephone: (202) 586-4600 or (800) 472-2756.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: A Notice of Floodplain Involvement was published in the Federal Register on October 4, 1993, (58 FR 51624) and subsequently a floodplain assessment was prepared. The floodplain assessment covers a variety of intrusive and nonintrusive preliminary engineering and site investigation methods and techniques that may be used at one or more sites at the Oak Ridge Y-12 Plant Site. These activities include (as detailed in the October 4, 1993, notice), but are not limited to: "(a) sampling of air, surface water, groundwater, sediments, surface and deeper soils; sampling of terrestrial and aquatic biota; and measurement of meteorological characteristics; (b) drilling of boreholes to obtain soil/geological samples (some of the boreholes would be completed as groundwater monitoring wells); digging soil test pits by hand or backhoe; (d) taking a variety of nonintrusive surveys (such as radiological surveys); (e) taking intrusive surveys (such as with soil penetrometers and similar devices); and (f) conducting underground tests (such as aquifer pump, tracer geophysical log, vertical seismic profile, and seismic tests)."

Alternatives considered in the assessment were (1) no action, (2) prohibition of site investigation activities in floodplains, and (3) restricting site investigation activities to outside the floodplain when practicable alternatives exist, i.e., data quality would not be compromised. Only a few sampling locations, such as those

needed for surface and sediment samples, and a minimal number of boreholes or wells and soil test pits are expected to be in floodplains. Most of the activities addressed by the floodplain assessment will result in no measurable impact on floodplain cross-sections or flood stage, and thus do not increase the risk of flooding. Those activities that are identified from site-specific data as possibly impacting negatively upon the floodplain (e.g., installation of flumes and construction of access roads) may require separate floodplain assessments and the implementation of mitigative measures, e.g., construction during low precipitation periods, prompt stabilization and restoration of affected areas, minimizing vegetation removal, and the use of mats and wide-tracked vehicles. Alternatively, DOE may opt to omit the activity or relocate the activity to an alternate site. Site investigation activities addressed in the floodplain assessment conform to applicable floodplain protection standards.

Issued in Oak Ridge, TN on February 11, 1997.

James L. Elmore,

Alternate National Environmental Policy Act Compliance Officer.

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Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Rocky Flats

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) notice is hereby given of the following Advisory Committee meeting: Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM SSAB), Rocky Flats.

DATES: Thursday, March 6, 1997—6:00 pm-9:30 pm.

ADDRESSES: Westminster City Hall (Lower-level Multi-purpose Room), 4800 West 92nd Avenue, Westminster, CO.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ken Korkia, Board/Staff Coordinator, EM SSAB-Rocky Flats, 9035 North Wadsworth Parkway, Suite 2250, Westminster, CO 80021, phone: (303) 420-7855, fax: (303) 420-7579.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Board: The purpose of the Board is to make recommendations to DOE and its regulators in the areas of environmental restoration, waste management, and related activities.

Tentative Agenda

(1) The Board will have a discussion with Dr. Alice Stewart, a well-known researcher in the field of the effects of human exposure to low-level radiation. Dr. Stewart's career has included studies of the effects of x-rays on pregnant women and studies of workers at the University of Birmingham's School of Medicine in England.

(2) The Board will hear from Don Hancock, a community activist from New Mexico, on some of the concerns of nearby residents regarding radioactive waste disposal at the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP) outside of Carlsbad, New Mexico. The Department of Energy currently plans to bury waste from Rocky Flats as well as several other Federal sites at WIPP. Mr. Hancock will discuss community concerns about transportation of these materials to New Mexico as well as concerns about the disposal site itself.

(3) The Board will consider a recommendation from one of its committees regarding an assessment of the integrating management contract from Rocky Flats.

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. Written statements may be filed with the Committee either before or after the meeting. Individuals who wish to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact Ken Korkia at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests must be received 5 days prior to the meeting and reasonable provision will be made to include the presentation in the agenda. The Designated Federal Official is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Each individual wishing to make public comment will be provided a maximum of 5 minutes to present their comments. This notice is being published less than 15 days in advance of the meeting due to programmatic issues that needed to be resolved.

Minutes: The minutes of this meeting will be available for public review and copying at the Freedom of Information Public Reading Room, 1E-190, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585 between 9:00 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday-Friday, except Federal holidays. Minutes will also be available at the Public Reading Room located at the Board's office at 9035 North Wadsworth Parkway, Suite 2250, Westminster, CO 80021; telephone (303) 420-7855. Hours of operation for the Public Reading Room are 9:00 am and 4:00 pm on Monday through Friday. Minutes will also be made available by writing or calling Deb

Thompson at the Board's office address or telephone number listed above.

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Rachel M. Samuel,

Acting Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Paducah

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) notice is hereby given of the following Advisory Committee meeting: Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM SSAB), Paducah Gaseous Diffusion Plant.

DATES: Thursday, March 20, 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: West Kentucky Technical School (cafeteria), 5200 Blandville Road, Paducah, Kentucky.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Carlos Alvarado, Site-Specific Advisory Board Coordinator, Department of Energy Paducah Site Office, Post Office Box 1410, MS-103, Paducah, Kentucky 42001, (502) 441-6804.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Board: The purpose of the Board is to make recommendations to DOE and its regulators in the areas of environmental restoration, waste management, and related activities.

Tentative Agenda: Updates on the Federal Facility Agreement, the membership drive, a Financial Committee Report, a Background on the Process of Documents, the Proposed Budget, and the 10-Year Plan.

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. Written statements may be filed with the Committee either before or after the meeting. Individuals who wish to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact Carlos Alvarado at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests must be received 5 days prior to the meeting and reasonable provision will be made to include the presentation in the agenda. The Designated Federal Official is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Each individual wishing to make public comment will be provided a maximum of 5 minutes to present their comments.

Minutes: The minutes of this meeting will be available for public review and

copying at the Freedom of Information Public Reading Room, 1E-190, Forrestal Building, 1000 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20585 between 9:00 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday-Friday, except Federal holidays. Minutes will also be available at the Department of Energy's Environmental Information and Reading Room at 175 Freedom Boulevard, Highway 60, Kevil, Kentucky between 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. on Monday through Friday, or by writing to Carlos Alvarado, Department of Energy Paducah Site Office, Post Office Box 1410, MS-103, Paducah, Kentucky 42001, or by calling him at (502) 441-6804.

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Rachel M. Samuel,

Acting Deputy Advisory Committee Management Officer.

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Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board, Savannah River Site

AGENCY: Department of Energy.

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92-463, 86 Stat. 770) notice is hereby given of the following Advisory Committee meeting: Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM SSAB), Savannah River Site.

DATES AND TIMES: Monday, March 24, 1997: 6:00 p.m.-6:30 p.m. (Joint Meeting of Issues-based Committee Chairs), 6:30 p.m.-7:00 p.m. (Public Comment Session), 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m. (Subcommittee Meetings) Tuesday, March 25, 1997: 8:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

ADDRESSES: Monday, March 24, 1997: Radisson Riverfront Hotel, 1 Tenth Street, Augusta, Georgia. Tuesday, March 25, 1997: Savannah River Site Administration Building 703-41A, Road 1, Aiken, South Carolina.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gerri Flemming, Public Accountability Specialist, Environmental Restoration and Solid Waste Division, Department of Energy Savannah River Operations Office, P.O. Box A, Aiken, S.C. 29802 (803) 725-5374.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Board: The purpose of the Board is to make recommendations to DOE and its regulators in the areas of environmental restoration, waste management and related activities.

Tentative Agenda

Monday, March 24, 1997

6:00 p.m. Joint meeting of issues-based subcommittee chairs

6:30 p.m. Public comment session (5-minute rule)

7:00 p.m. Subcommittee meetings

9:00 p.m. Adjourn

Tuesday, March 25, 1997

8:30 a.m.

Approval of minutes, agency updates (~ 15 minutes)

Public comment session (5-minute rule) (~ 30 minutes)

Election of officers (~ 15 minutes)

Risk management & future use subcommittee report (~ 30 minutes)
Environmental restoration and waste management subcommittee report (~ 1 hour)

12:00 p.m.

Lunch

1:00 p.m.

Nuclear materials management subcommittee report (~ 30 minutes)
Administrative subcommittee report (~ 30 minutes)

Removal considerations and membership elections

Recommendation review (~ 1 hour)

Update/review of board home page (~ 15 minutes)

Spent fuel forum update (~ 10 minutes)

Outreach subcommittee report (~ 10 minutes)

National Dialogue/SSAB Chair

Meeting discussion (~ 10 minutes)

4:00 p.m.

Adjourn

If necessary, time will be allotted after public comments for items added to the agenda, and administrative details. A final agenda will be available at the meeting Monday, March 24, 1997.

Public Participation: The meeting is open to the public. Written statements may be filed with the Committee either before or after the meeting. Individuals who wish to make oral statements pertaining to agenda items should contact Gerri Flemming's office at the address or telephone number listed above. Requests must be received 5 days prior to the meeting and reasonable provision will be made to include the presentation in the agenda. The Designated Federal Official is empowered to conduct the meeting in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Each individual wishing to make public comment will be provided a maximum of 5 minutes to present their comments.

Minutes: The minutes of this meeting will be available for public review and copying at the Freedom of Information