

To: West Valley Citizen Task Force
From: Melinda Holland
Subject: Summary of October 24, 2002, CTF Agenda Workgroup Conference Call
Date: October 29, 2002

Next Meeting

The next **Agenda Workgroup** conference call will be held on **November 18** at 7:00 p.m. If you have questions or comments regarding the upcoming meeting or about this summary, please contact Melinda Holland at (864) 457-4202, or Tom Attridge at (716) 942-2453.

CTF Attendees

Attending were: Gayla Gray, Ray Vaughan, Lee Lambert, Alice Williams, John Chamberlain, Tom Attridge, Dan Sullivan, Colleen Gerwitz, Sonja Allen, Melinda Holland, and Elizabeth Lowes.

Conference Call Summary

Melinda Holland reviewed the agenda, and Elizabeth Lowes, DOE, opened the meeting by briefly describing a list of written materials that were prepared by DOE and WVNSCO and disseminated by e-mail before the meeting (attached with this summary). These materials describe potential topics for CTF meetings and reports which are proposed to be added to the WVDP public reading rooms. Tom Attridge, also reviewed a list of potential meeting topics that NYSERDA prepared and disseminated to the Workgroup (also attached with this summary). The workgroup then discussed topics of interest for future CTF meetings including:

- Waste Management Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) - DOE indicated that it may be available near the first of the year. The Workgroup requested a presentation on this as soon as it is available.
- Notice of Intent for the Decommissioning EIS.
- Project milestones for the next 27 months. The Workgroup wants to review the list of products and deliverables and make recommendations on which ones the CTF might want to review & discuss at future meetings.
- WVDP Performance Management Plan - DOE indicated that this is tied up in the budget process, but it is hoped that it will be made available before the end of the year.
- Regulatory implementation related topics such as Waste Incidental to Reprocessing
- Report on the performance of the permeable treatment wall in the North Plateau Groundwater Plume
- Long-Term Stewardship (LTS) - as it relates to the decommissioning alternatives for the site, to NRC's requirements for institutional controls, and the national perspective.

The Workgroup requested that the CTF be briefed on new information, studies, reports, etc. before they are presented at the WVDP quarterly public meetings. DOE representatives stated their preference that CTF members attend the WVDP quarterly public meetings. The lack of sufficient advance warning about the topics for upcoming public meetings was mentioned as a barrier to CTF participation in the WVDP Quarterly Public Meetings. Site representatives offered to provide the CTF with personalized invitations and agendas for Quarterly Public Meetings to ensure CTF cognizance of QPM meeting dates and topics.

Workgroup members also requested that the CTF be given the opportunity to review the Notice of Intent (NOI) for the Decommissioning EIS. DOE representatives stated that they have considered this request and discussed it with DOE Headquarters, and concluded that DOE will provide the CTF with the NOI at the same time it is provided to the general public. The CTF would then make any specific comments (on DOE's and NYSERDA's proposed action, the scope of the EIS, etc.) consistent with the NEPA process.

The Workgroup also discussed their desire to review reports/data packages such as the environmental

information documents (EIDs), SDA and NDA waste characterization reports, Tank Farm waste characterization report, etc. before they are released to the public.

Agenda Workgroup Recommendations

The Workgroup recommended that the full CTF meet again in November or early December to hear about the following agenda topics:

- Review WVDP project milestones & overview of future site work planned for the next 27 months.
- WVDP Performance Management Plan (if it is publically available by this meeting); if not available, then overview of approach used in PMP’s from other DOE sites.
- Report on the performance of the permeable treatment wall for the North Plateau Groundwater Plume.
- An update on the Regulator’s Communication Plan and its implementation.

The workgroup also recommended that an entire CTF meeting in early 2003 be dedicated to a review of Long Term Stewardship (LTS):

- The national perspective (including point of view of EPA, NRC, DOE, and NYSERDA);
- The pros and cons of the various LTS approaches;
- Active maintenance vs. passive controls which may be used;
- The relationship between the decommissioning alternatives to be considered at the site and the corresponding type of LTS which will be needed; and
- The relationship between LTS and NRC’s requirements for the use of institutional controls.

Some of the more technical reports such as the EIDs [environmental information documents] were referred to the CTF Technical Workgroup for review.

Next Steps

The Agenda Workgroup has decided to hold its next conference call on November 18, 2002.

Action Items

Action	Assigned to	Due Date
Provide CTF with an overview of project milestones over the next 27 months.	DOE/WVNSCO	Nov or early Dec 2002
Provide the CTF with copies of the Waste Management EIS, the Decommissioning EIS NOI, and the WVDP Performance Management Plan; as well as presentations on same.	DOE/WVNSCO	When available
Provide the CTF with a copy of the report on the Permeable Treatment Wall in the North Plateau Groundwater Plume; as well as presentation on same.	DOE/WVNSCO	When available
Check on having Greg Sullivan (DOE), NRC and EPA give the CTF a presentation on the national perspective on LTS.	DOE/WVNSCO	January 2003
Provide copies of data reports, EIDs, waste characterization reports, etc. to the CTF Technical Workgroup.	DOE/WVNSCO	When available