

# West Valley Demonstration Project



## Project Update

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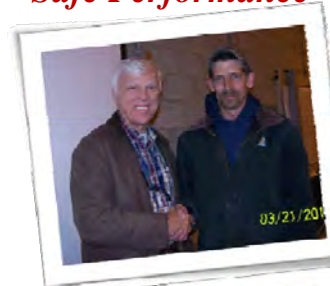
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## Safety Performance

- As of April 25, the WVDP has worked 4 years without a lost time work injury
- As of April 22, WVDP employees have worked more than 3.8 million hours without a lost-time accident or illness
- One First Aid
  - Knee strain, Jan 18
- No recordable injuries
- TRC has dropped to 0.2, DART dropped to 0

## WVES Rewards

### Safe Performance



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## Main Plant Process Building

- Equipment dismantlement in Extraction Cell-1
  - Last Extraction Cell to be decontaminated
    - Highly radioactive, all work performed remotely
  - Used fully-robotic arm to perform pipe cutting
    - 3 major vessels removed
    - Debris collection underway



*Above: Operators in the Extraction Cell Control Room*



*Left: Third vessel being placed in waste container*



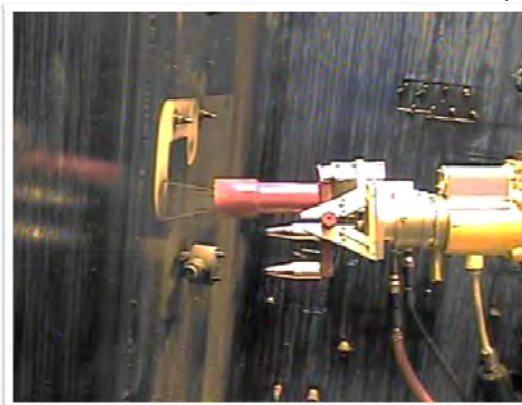
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- Completed Nitrocision decontamination in the Process Mechanical Cell (PMC)
- Initiated decontamination in the General Purpose Cell (GPC)



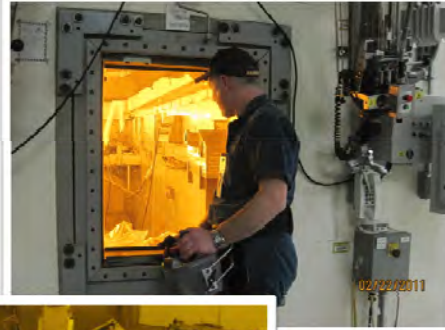
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## Radioactive Waste Processing

- Preparing stored waste for offsite disposal
  - Using multiple facilities for contact-handled and remote-handled processing
  - 91% of Low-Level Waste processed to date
  - 80% of transuranic waste processed to date
    - ~80% TRU waste volume reduction of processed waste



Above: Operator Jim Wiedemann in Remote Handled Waste Facility



Left: Brokk 180 in RHWF cutting plywood with circular saw



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## Waste Tank Farm

- Tank & Vault Drying System
  - System installation completed and operational in December
  - 23% of tank liquids evaporated in first 3 months



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## North Plateau Groundwater Plume

- PTW and monitoring well installation complete
- Data collected from more than 60 sampling wells has been collected and compiled into a baseline report
  - Reference point for starting conditions
  - Quarterly sampling



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## Mutual Support

West Valley Fire District 1 (\$70K)



Bertrand Chaffee Hospital (\$10K)



Mercy Flight (\$5K)



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