

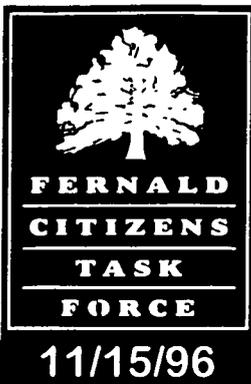
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**FERNALD CITIZENS TASK FORCE WEEKLY MAILING OF UPCOMING
EVENTS AND MEETINGS**

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ANNOUNCEMENT**



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FRIDAY MAILING

INCLUDED IN THIS MAILING ARE:

- Final Report: Assessment of Known Sources of Radium 226
- Final Draft Report: University of Cincinnati Support for FEMP Radium Initiatives
- Silo 3 Consensus Statement
- Letter to Tom Wagner from Jack Craig on Intermodal Issues
- Newsclipping

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Please note the following upcoming meetings:

- FERNALD COMMUNITY REUSE ORGANIZATION MEETING:** The Fernald Community Organization will meet in the Ross High School Media Center, 3425 Hamilton-Cleves Road, Tuesday, November 19, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m.
- WORKSHOP - WASTE PITS REMEDIAL ACTION PROJECT:** On December 3, from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., DOE and Fluor Daniel Fernald will hold a workshop to discuss current and future activities supporting the Waste Pits Remedial Action Project, including site improvements, rail upgrades, and the Alternative Remedial Action Subcontracting Approach. The workshop will take place in the Alpha Building.
- FRESH MEETING:** FRESH will hold a meeting on Thursday, November 21, at 7:30 p.m., at Venice Presbyterian Church, on Layhigh Road in Ross. The community is welcome to attend!

Note: **FRESH Meeting!**

QUESTIONS:

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SILO 3 CONSENSUS STATEMENT

DOE has continued to work actively with U.S. and Ohio EPA concerning the path forward on the Silo 3 alternative treatment and for OU4 as a whole. DOE recognizes the regulator's position that a final decision on the Silo 3 alternative treatment will not be made until the Phase 1 Pilot Plant operations are concluded and a subsequent decision is made pertaining to the Silos 1 and 2 path forward.

DOE has reached preliminary agreement with U.S. and Ohio EPA on the basis of the alternative treatment (i.e. stabilization) of Silo 3. That basis is twofold: a) removing Silo 3 from Silo 1 and 2 vitrification operations significantly reduces uncertainties concerning the technical implementation of vitrification for 1 and 2; and b) solidification of Silo 3 fully meets the remedial action objectives and presents the opportunity for schedule acceleration of Silo 3 remediation when compared to the alternative of vitrifying Silo 3 material only (plus any additives required to address the sulfate issue). The Silo 3 Alternative Evaluation Report will be revised to reflect this understanding and address other stakeholder comments. The revised Silo 3 Alternative Evaluation Report will be a "stream-lined" document to support the treatment of the Silo 3 material.

DOE and the regulators are still actively discussing the regulatory mechanism that would be used to implement the Silo 3 alternative treatment. A final decision on this question will not be made until the path forward for Silos 1 and 2 is reached. DOE and the regulators will continue to work closely with our stakeholders on this issue.

Finally, DOE and the regulators have agreed that it is appropriate to issue a draft Request for Proposal (RFP) for Silo 3 alternative treatment in the near future. Such an action will provide valuable information concerning interested vendors and proposed treatment implementation strategies. This information is directly relevant for the final Silo 3 decision. All of our stakeholders would have an opportunity to review and comment on the draft RFP.