

A Look Ahead . . .

A publication for Fernald stakeholders

Waste pit excavation and rail shipment update

Operation of the dryers, the offgas treatment system and the water treatment system may now proceed at the Waste Pits Remedial Action Project following successful completion of a readiness review. The dryers will be used, as necessary, to remove excess moisture from the waste pit material. Since September, Fernald has excavated over 40,000 tons of material from the waste pits.

In late November/early December, Fernald plans to send two trains to Envirocare. Since April, Fernald has transported 13 trains (670 railcars) containing over 72,000 tons of Waste Pits Project material to Envirocare. For more information on the Waste Pits Project, contact Dave Lojek, DOE-FEMP project manager, 513-648-3127, email: dave_lojek@fernald.gov.

Preliminary excavation to begin in the Lime Sludge Ponds

The two lime sludge ponds, located southeast of the waste storage area, are part of Remediation Area 3A. Originally, the ponds were used for the disposal of lime sludge generated from the water treatment process. In late November through mid-December, test pits will be excavated in the ponds to collect samples for measurement of the geotechnical properties of the lime sludge. The results will be used to determine how the material will be placed in the On-Site Disposal Facility. For more information, contact Rob Janke, DOE-FEMP project manager, 513-648-3124, email: rob_janke@fernald.gov.

Construction begins along Paddys Run Road

Beginning in December, there will be construction activities along Paddys Run Road at the northwestern portion of the site. Earthwork includes installing a gravel road and slightly altering the drainage patterns in preparation for ecological restoration of the area next spring. The project should be complete by mid-December. For more information, contact Eric Woods, Fluor Daniel Fernald Natural Resources team coach, 513-648-5268, email: eric_woods@fernald.gov.

Fernald Citizens Advisory Board (FCAB) meetings

The FCAB Remediation Committee will meet on Monday, Dec. 6, at 6 p.m. in the Large Lab conference room at the Fernald site. The meeting focus will be to discuss the *Silos 1 and 2 Revised Feasibility Study Comparative Analysis* and work toward a recommendation concerning the study. Although this is a committee meeting, all FCAB members are strongly encouraged to attend. The meeting is also open to the public. Contact Tisha Patton, 513-648-5277, or Sue Walpole, 513-648-4026, for site access requirements or additional information.

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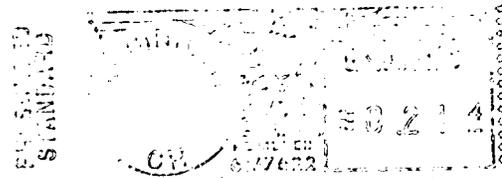
DOE-HQ recently issued a new document, *From Cleanup to Stewardship*. The document examines the transition from cleanup to long-term stewardship as well as provides background information to support a study on long-term stewardship. The document is now available at the Public Environmental Information Center, 513-648-7480.

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