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Soil and Disposal Facility update

The supplemental funding recently approved by Congress has enabled the Soil and Disposal Facility Project to move forward with several projects. Excavation will be completed in the South Field Area and excavation of the two Lime Sludge Ponds located in the former production area will begin in October. This material will be placed in the On-Site Disposal Facility (OSDF). For more information, visit our Web site at www.fernald.gov/cleanupproj/sdfp.htm, or contact Rob Janke, DOE-FEMP Project Manager, 513-648-3124, email: rob.janke@fernald.gov.

Soil screening to begin nighshift operations

A nightshift operation in support of the OSDF construction will begin in late September and will continue through October. Lights and construction equipment will be visible when driving by the site on Willey Road. Soil screening in the Borrow Area located in the southeast portion of the site, [adjacent to the main access road] is an essential component in the construction of the OSDF. The clay-like soil is excavated, screened and used to construct the liners and caps of the cells. For more information on the OSDF Project, visit our Web site at www.fernald.gov/cleanupproj/sdfp.htm, or contact Jay Jalovec, DOE-FEMP OSDF project manager, 513-648-3122, email: jay.jalovec@fernald.gov.

Demolition Projects update

Decontamination and Dismantlement (D&D) activities continue in Plant 6, the former Metals Fabrication Plant. MACTEC, the subcontractor performing the work, is completing the removal of transite. Structural demolition is expected to begin in mid-October.

Currently, a total of 93 structures have been remediated. For more information on D&D Projects, visit the Web site at www.fernald.gov/cleanupproj/d&d.htm, or contact John Trygier, DOE-FEMP D&D project manager, 513-648-3154, email: john.trygier@fernald.gov.

Nuclear Materials Disposition Project update

The Nuclear Materials Disposition Project recently received two additional vacuum transfer drum repackaging stations. Both stations are expected to be installed and ready for operation in late September or early October. The first repackaging station, which was used to test the design and generate valuable "lessons learned," began operating in June of this year. All three systems are designed to safely and efficiently repackage >1 percent U²³⁵ enriched compounds and oxides into very exact quantities that comply with Department of Transportation shipping requirements. Successful operation of these systems is just one more step toward achieving the site goal of safely removing all nuclear products from Fernald by June 2002. For more information on Nuclear Materials Disposition project manager, visit the Web site at www.fernald.gov/cleanupproj/wm.htm, or contact John Sattler, DOE-FEMP Nuclear Materials Disposition, 513-648-3145, email: john.sattler@fernald.gov.

"Stop" issued on all waste shipments

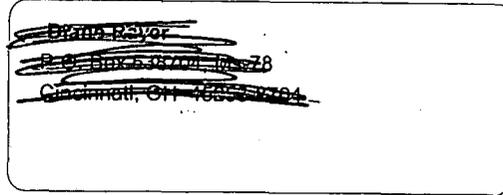
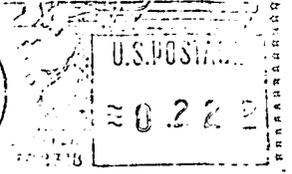
In light of recent terrorist activity, there has been a moratorium issued on all waste shipments throughout the DOE complex. For more information, contact Gary Stegner, DOE Public Affairs Officer, 513-648-3153, email: gary.stegner@fernald.gov.

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Fernald Citizens Advisory Board (FCAB) update

All September FCAB meetings were cancelled because of the recent tragedies but have now been rescheduled. The next Stewardship Committee meeting will be held Oct. 11, 6:30 p.m., at the Fernald Site, at a conference room location to be announced later. The committee will resume discussion of space needs for a potential future multi-use educational facility at Fernald. The FCAB annual all-day retreat, for board members and ex-officios only, has been rescheduled for Oct. 13 and will still be held at the Hamiltonian Hotel. For more information, contact Gary Stegner, DOE-FEMP Public Affairs Officer, 513-648-3153, email: gary.stegner@fernald.gov.

Fernald Cleanup Progress Briefing

The monthly Cleanup Progress Briefing is scheduled for Tuesday, October 9, at 6:30 p.m. in the Services Building Conference Room at the Fernald site. The topic for the meeting is "Silos Project". For more information, contact Gary Stegner, DOE-FEMP Public Affairs Officer, 513-648-3153, email: gary.stegner@fernald.gov.

Fernald Post-Closure Stewardship Technology Project Symposium

The 2nd Annual Symposium that was scheduled for October 3rd and 4th at Fernald has been postponed due to recent terrorist activities. This important event will be rescheduled at a later date. For more information, contact Kim Lahman, Fluor Fernald Public Affairs, 513-648-5111, email: kim.lahman@fernald.gov.

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