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## *A Look Ahead . . .*

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### **Waste Pits Project update**

In March, the Waste Pits Remedial Action Project (WPRAP) team will reach a significant milestone. Train 79 is scheduled to leave on March 12, which will bring the total amount of waste shipped to Envirocare of Utah to half a million tons. This puts the project at over 60 percent complete. The following are percentage completions for the pits: Pit 1 is 99%; Pit 2 is 50%; Pit 3 is 75%; Pit 4 is 10% and Pit 5 is 30%. Excavations have not begun in Pit 6 or the Burn Pit. A lease agreement has been awarded for the delivery of 35 additional railcars, which are scheduled to arrive in May.

For more information on the Waste Pits Project, visit [www.fernald.gov/cleanuproj/wpits.htm](http://www.fernald.gov/cleanuproj/wpits.htm), or contact Dave Lojek, DOE-Fernald Waste Pits project manager, 513-648-3127, email: [dave.lojek@fernald.gov](mailto:dave.lojek@fernald.gov).

### **Silos Project update**

In March, crews at the Accelerated Waste Retrieval (AWR) Project will pour the concrete deck on the Transfer Tank Area and start excavation for the Silos 1 and 2 bridge foundations. The AWR team continues to work on pump and sluicing module fabrication and plans to release mechanical and electrical construction packages in March.

Workers at the Silos 1 and 2 Project will continue erecting tanks, begin construction on the shield walls around the tanks, install the roof and walls on the Silos 1 and 2 warehouse, and continue construction of the treatment facility concrete mat foundation and rail spur. The Silos 1 and 2 team is working on major equipment fabrication and also plans to release mechanical and electrical construction packages in March.

At Silo 3, workers will continue to pour foundation concrete for the process facility. The Silo 3 team is working on equipment procurement and is gearing up for a demonstration during which they will cut an opening in the side of Silo 4.

For more information on the Silos Projects, visit [www.fernald.gov/Cleanup/projects.htm](http://www.fernald.gov/Cleanup/projects.htm), or contact Nina Akgunduz, DOE-Fernald Silos project manager, 513-648-3110, email: [nina.akgunduz@fernald.gov](mailto:nina.akgunduz@fernald.gov).

### **Site Technology Coordination Group (STCG) meeting**

The STCG includes stakeholders and regulators who support the site's Technology Program by looking for ways to use technology to expedite cleanup. The next meeting, which is open to the public, will be Tuesday, March 18 starting at 6:00 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Fernald site in the T-1 Conference Room. Visitors must show photo identification and will be escorted to the meeting location. For more information, contact Gary Stegner, DOE-Fernald Public Affairs Officer, 513-648-3153, email: [gary.stegner@fernald.gov](mailto:gary.stegner@fernald.gov).

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### **Fernald Citizens Advisory Board (FCAB) update**

Thursday, March 13 -- FCAB Stewardship Committee - will conduct a presentation regarding records, a Multi-Use Feasibility Study and ongoing long-term stewardship issues. The meeting begins at 6:30 p.m. on site in Trailer 1.

Saturday, March 15 -- Full FCAB Meeting -- will focus on a Silos update, planning for the Site Specific Advisory Board Chairs meeting and a final state of Fernald presentation. The meeting begins at 8:30 a.m. at the Crosby Township Senior Center, 8910 Willey Road.

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