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Soil and Disposal Facility Project gearing up

The Soil and Disposal Facility Project will be starting, and continuing, work on several projects this spring including:

- Construction of an emergency access road which will connect to State Route 126
- Removing the second sediment basin and initiating restoration activities in the Southern Waste Units
- Excavation of the Cell 4 and Cell 5 footprints at the On-Site Disposal Facility
- Excavate a portion of the Waste Pit 4 cap

For more information on the Soil and Disposal Facility Project, visit www.fernald.gov/Cleanup/sdfp.htm, or contact Rob Janke, DOE-Fernald Soil and Disposal Facility project manager, 513-648-3124, email: rob.janke@fernald.gov.

Silos update

Silos workers continue assembling the tanks in the Transfer Tank Area and will begin coating the tanks in April. Work will also continue on the carbon bed concrete enclosures and piperack foundations in the Radon Control System Air Handling Building. A concrete slab, which will serve as a shield to the beds, will be poured above the carbon beds in mid-April. For more information on the Silos Projects, visit www.fernald.gov/Cleanup/Silos.htm, or contact Nina Akgunduz, DOE-Fernald Silos project manager, 513-648-3110, email: nina.akgunduz@fernald.gov.

Injection well installation

During April, the Aquifer Restoration Project will begin installing three new injection wells along the southern border of the site. The new wells will be installed on the western end of the existing well system and will replace Wells 8 and 9. For more information on the Aquifer Restoration Project, visit www.fernald.gov/Cleanup/Aquifer.htm, or contact Rob Janke, DOE-Fernald Aquifer Restoration project manager, 513-648-3124, email: rob.janke@fernald.gov.

Deliveries of restoration materials

Over the next several weeks, Rumpke will make approximately 30 deliveries of compost to Fernald in support of the Southern Waste Units restoration. The compost, which is produced from yard waste, will be tilled into existing soil to provide increased organic matter, nutrients, and improved water retention. Rumpke yard waste collection and compost facilities are separate from their landfill operation. For more information, contact Eric Woods, Fluor Fernald Restoration manager, 513-648-5268, email: eric.woods@fernald.gov.

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Silos Project - topic of the April Cleanup Progress Briefing

On April 9, at 6:30 p.m. in Trailer 1, at Fernald, DOE and Fluor Fernald will host the April Cleanup Progress Briefing. The feature topic for the briefing will be the Silos Project. Topics of discussion will include retrieval, transfer, treatment and transportation of silos material; construction of the Accelerated Waste Retrieval facility; the silos waste treatment facility design and the new accelerated cleanup schedule. For more information, contact Gary Stegner, DOE-Fernald Public Affairs officer, 513-648-3153, email: gary.stegner@fernald.gov.

Site-Specific Advisory Board meeting

The Fernald Citizens Advisory Board will be hosting the annual Site-Specific Advisory Board Chairs meeting from April 11 – 13, at the Westin Hotel in downtown Cincinnati. Items of discussion will be the Department of Energy's Top-to-Bottom Review, 2003 Budget and status of the Long-Term Stewardship Strategic Plan.

Fernald Citizens Advisory Board (FCAB) meetings

The following FCAB meetings are scheduled for April. All meetings will be held at the Fernald Public Environmental Information Center, located at 10995 Hamilton-Cleves Highway, Harrison, Ohio, 513-648-7480.

- The Stewardship Committee meeting will be held on April 18, at 6:30 p.m. The topics for discussion will include results of the Future of Fernald IV workshop and creating a needs statement.
- The Full Board meeting will be held on April 20, at 8:30 a.m. Tentative items for discussion include long-term stewardship and an update on the Silos Project.

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