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DOE to Release Final Cleanup Recommendations for Rocky Flats

Broomfield, Colo., July 12, 2006 – The U.S. Department of Energy will release for public comment the Proposed Plan for the cleanup of the Rocky Flats Environmental Technology Site on Friday, July 14, 2006. The 60-day formal comment period will run through Sept. 13, 2006.

The DOE Rocky Flats Project Office, the U.S. Environment Protection Agency, and the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment will also host public meetings to discuss the final cleanup decisions for the Rocky Flats Site.

The first of two informal public meetings on the Proposed Plan for the final remedy in the cleanup of the Rocky Flats Site will be held from 6-9 p.m. on Wednesday, July 19 at the Jefferson County Fairgrounds Green Mountain Conference Room, 15200 W. 6th Ave., Golden CO. The Green Mountain Conference Room is located on the ground level in the north end of the Exhibit Hall.

A second informational public meeting will be held on Aug. 8, 2006 in Westminster and a formal public hearing to take verbal and written comments will be held in Arvada on Aug. 31, 2006.

Representatives from the three agencies will discuss and answer questions regarding the Proposed Plan and how the conclusions and data in the Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study/Comprehensive Risk Assessment (RI/FS/CRA) support the preferred alternative for the final remedy.

The Proposed Plan is a required document used to facilitate public involvement in the CERCLA (Superfund) remedy selection process. The document presents the Department of Energy's recommendation concerning how best to address contamination at the site, presents alternatives that were evaluated, and explains the reasons the preferred alternative is recommended. Although most of the environmental remediation has been completed at Rocky Flats and is expected to satisfy regulatory requirements, the DOE must complete the regulatory process with fair consideration of public input.

The DOE will solicit public comment on the Proposed Plan and may select a remedy other than the preferred alternative based on public comment. The final decision regarding the selected remedy is documented in the Corrective Action Decision/ Record of Decision (CAD/ROD) after the DOE has considered all comments from both the regulatory agencies and the public.

Written comments may be mailed to the following address:

Attn: Proposed Plan Comments
US Department of Energy
Rocky Flats Project Office
12101 Airport Way

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Unit A
Broomfield, CO 80021-2583

Email comments will be accepted at:
comments@rf.doe.gov

The electronic version of the Proposed Plan and RI/FS/CRA, locations where hard copies may be reviewed and other information on public involvement is available at www.rfets.gov . Interested members of the media may obtain cd copies of the documents on request.

For more information contact Bob Darr, Rocky Flats Public Affairs, at (303) 966-4546 or email to robert.darr@rf.doe.gov .

WHAT: **Public meeting**

SCHEDULE: **6 to 9:00 p.m. July 19, 2006**

WHERE: **Jefferson County Fairgrounds Green Mountain Conference Room
15200 W. 6th Ave., Golden CO**

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