

DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board Chairs**

AGENCY: Office of Environmental Management, Department of Energy.
ACTION: Notice of open virtual meeting.

SUMMARY: This notice announces an online virtual meeting of the Environmental Management Site-Specific Advisory Board (EM SSAB) Chairs. The Federal Advisory Committee Act requires that public notice of this conference call be announced in the **Federal Register**.

DATES: Monday, October 19, 2020, 12:00 p.m.–3:00 p.m. EDT, Tuesday, October 20, 2020, 12:00 p.m.–3:00 p.m. EDT.

ADDRESSES: This meeting will be held virtually via WebEx. To attend, please contact Alyssa Harris by email, Alyssa.Harris@em.doe.gov, no later than 5:00 p.m. EDT on Monday, October 12, 2020.

To Submit Public Comment: Public comments will be accepted via email prior to and after the meeting. Comments received no later than 5:00 p.m. EDT on Monday, October 12, 2020, will be read aloud during the virtual meeting. Comments will also be accepted after the meeting by no later than 5:00 p.m. EDT on Friday, October 23, 2020. Please send comments to Alyssa Harris at Alyssa.Harris@em.doe.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Alyssa Harris, EM SSAB Federal Coordinator, U.S. Department of Energy, 1000 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, DC 20585. Phone (202) 430-9624 or Email: Alyssa.Harris@em.doe.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Purpose of the Board: The purpose of the Board is to make recommendations to DOE-EM and site management in the areas of environmental restoration, waste management, and related activities.

Tentative Agenda Topics

Monday, October 19, 2020

- EM Headquarters Update and Site Statuses
- EM SSAB Chairs' Round Robin
- Reading of Public Comment
- EM Budget Presentation

Tuesday, October 20, 2020

- Waste Management and Regulatory Framework Presentation
- Reading of Public Comment
- Discussion of New Charges and Path Forward for the EM SSAB

Public Participation: The online virtual meeting is open to the public. Written statements may be filed with the Board either before or after the meeting by sending them to Alyssa Harris at the aforementioned email address. The Designated Federal Officer is empowered to conduct the conference call in a fashion that will facilitate the orderly conduct of business. Individuals wishing to make public comments should email them as directed above.

Minutes: Minutes will be available by writing or calling Alyssa Harris at the address or phone number listed above. Minutes will also be available at the following website: <https://energy.gov/em/listings/chairs-meetings>.

Signed in Washington, DC on September 25, 2020.

LaTanya Butler,

Deputy Committee Management Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY**National Nuclear Security Administration****Amended Record of Decision for the Continued Operation of the Y-12 National Security Complex (Y-12)**

AGENCY: National Nuclear Security Administration, Department of Energy.

ACTION: Amended record of decision.

SUMMARY: The National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA), a separately organized agency within the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), is amending its October 2019 Amended Record of Decision (AROD) for the Continued Interim Operation of the Y-12 National Security Complex (2019 AROD) to continue to implement its approach for meeting enriched uranium (EU) requirements, by upgrading existing EU processing buildings and constructing a new Uranium Processing Facility (UPF). Since publication of the 2019 AROD, NNSA finalized a *Supplement Analysis for the Final Site-Wide Environmental Impact Statement for the Y-12 National Security Complex, Earthquake Accident Analysis* (DOE/EIS-0387-SA-04) (2020 SA), which presented an accident analysis of earthquake consequences at the Y-12 site using updated seismic hazard analyses. Based on the analysis in the 2020 SA, NNSA determined that no additional NEPA documentation is required. This new 2020 AROD combines elements of the two alternatives previously analyzed in the 2011 *Final Site-Wide Environmental*

Impact Statement for the Y-12 National Security Complex (DOE/EIS-0387) (Y-12 SWEIS), and separates the single-structure UPF design concept into a new design consisting of multiple buildings, with each constructed to safety and security requirements appropriate to the building's function. All other defense mission activities and non-defense mission activities conducted at Y-12 under the alternative selected for implementation in the 2011 ROD would continue to be implemented.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information on this 2020 AROD or on the 2020 SA, contact: Ms. Terri Slack, Field Counsel, U.S. Department of Energy, National Nuclear Security Administration, NNSA Production Office, P.O. Box 2050, Oak Ridge, TN 37831, (865) 576-1722. This 2020 AROD and related NEPA documents are available at <https://www.energy.gov/nnsa/nnsa-nepa-reading-room>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**Background**

Y-12 is NNSA's primary site for uranium operations, including EU processing and storage, and is one of the primary manufacturing facilities for maintaining the U.S. nuclear weapons stockpile. Y-12 is unique in that it is the only source of secondaries, cases, and other nuclear weapons components for the NNSA nuclear security mission. In the Y-12 SWEIS, NNSA analyzed the potential environmental impacts of ongoing and future operations and activities at Y-12, including alternatives for changes to site infrastructure and levels of operation. Five alternatives were analyzed in the Y-12 SWEIS: (1) No Action Alternative (maintain the status quo), (2) UPF Alternative, (3) Upgrade in-Place Alternative, (4) Capability-sized UPF Alternative, and (5) No Net Production/Capability-sized UPF Alternative. In the 2011 ROD (July 20, 2011, 76 FR 43319), NNSA decided to implement the Capability-sized UPF Alternative, to continue operation of Y-12, and to construct and operate a single-structure Capability-sized UPF at Y-12 as a replacement for certain existing buildings. Subsequent to the publication of the 2011 ROD, concerns about UPF cost and schedule growth prompted NNSA to reevaluate its strategy for meeting EU requirements, including the UPF design approach.

Under the updated strategy, approved in a July 12, 2016, Amended Record of Decision (2016 AROD), NNSA would meet EU requirements using a revised approach of upgrading existing EU processing buildings and constructing a smaller-scale UPF facility,