

Hanford Openness Workshops *Fact Sheet*

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Internet Resources

Background

It is the mission of the Hanford Openness Workshops (HOW) to resolve issues impeding the availability of information important to public health, the environment, understanding and decision making at the US Department of Energy's (DOE) Hanford nuclear site in southeastern Washington state. This Fact Sheet outlines one result of the Workshop's Information Tools Working Group's efforts: a compilation of Internet openness resources. It is important to note that the Internet is ever-changing. Some of these links may move or expire in the future. This list is also available from the HOW web site.

Internet Sites

Hanford Openness Workshops:

<http://www.hanford.gov/boards/openness/>

The Hanford Openness Workshops Home Page includes agendas and summaries of each Workshop, Progress Reports and Fact Sheets, a list of members and links to other Internet addresses of interest.

Hanford Home Page:

<http://www.hanford.gov>

The Hanford Home Page contains links to: Site Information; Programs; Opportunities; Public Involvement; Resource Center; Related Links; What's New; Site Index; Search; Hanford Contractors; and other DOE sites.

DOE-RL Reading Room Catalog Home Page:

<http://rrccatalog.pnl.gov>

The Department of Energy-Richland Operations Office Reading Room Catalog contains bibliographic data for a majority of items in the Reading Room collection. To request copies, please see the information in "About the Catalog."

Department of Energy's OpenNet Database:

<http://www.osti.gov/opennet/>

The Department of Energy's OpenNet database is the vehicle used to provide stakeholders access to declassified records from the Department of Energy and its predecessor organizations.

DOE Information Bridge

<http://www.doe.gov/bridge/home.html>

Information Bridge works in a similar manner to OpenNet. It contains a broader set of information, with about two million pages of documentation. The site provides links to the Office of Scientific and Technical Information, the Government Printing Office and DOE sites to for further searches.

Hanford Declassified Document Retrieval System:

<http://www2.hanford.gov/declass/d20pydeclass.asp>

Documents declassified by the Hanford Declassification Project (now the National Security Analysis Team) are scanned and the images made available directly through this homepage or via OpenNet (see above). The intent is to provide easy and timely access to recently declassified Hanford documents, including documents declassified in response to Freedom of Information Act requests. This database will be updated regularly as more documents become available.

Declassification Productivity Initiative:

<http://128.164.25.200/dpi>

The purpose of this site is to provide information about the DOE Declassification Productivity Initiative (DPI). This site will be continually updated with information on DPI-related programs, research, and development at DOE as well as at other agencies and institutions.

Department of Energy Office of Declassification Home Page:

<http://www.doe.gov/html/osti/opennet/od.html>

The DOE Office of Declassification has provided this site to help users become familiar with their program and assist them in gaining access to DOE information.

Earth Resources Observation Systems (EROS) Home Page:

<http://edcwww.cr.usgs.gov>

Data collection and distribution are the business of the U.S. Geological Survey's (USGS) Earth Resources Observation Systems (EROS) Data Center, or the EDC. Besides handling data from several series of satellites, the EDC archives more than 8 million photographs taken from airplanes. With elaborate computer systems, the EDC has developed the means to deliver massive amounts of data over the Internet. This effort has led to the EDC's becoming host to the National Mapping Division's Digital Cartographic Sales Data Base.

Overview of the Restricted and Formerly Restricted Data Classification System:

<http://www.doe.gov/html/osti/opennet/rdrfdhtm.html>

An electronic version of a pamphlet providing a brief orientation to the Restricted Data (RD) and Formerly Restricted Data (FRD) classification system.

10 CFR 1045—Information Classification:

<http://www.osti.gov/osti/opennet/finreg.html>

The Department of Energy is publishing a final rule revising its regulations concerning the policies and procedures on the identification of classified information. These regulations establish the policies and procedures implementing the requirements of the Atomic Energy Act of 1954 for the classification and declassification of information as Restricted Data and Formerly Restricted Data and also implement those requirements of Executive Order 12958 concerning National Security Information that directly affect the public.

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Department of Energy Richland Operations Office Indian Nations Program
<http://www.hanford.gov/doe/inp/index.htm>

DOE/NV—Historical Nuclear Weapons Test Films:

<http://www.nv.doe.gov/news&pubs/photos&films/testfilms.htm>

DOE, in cooperation with the Department of Defense, has begun an effort to declassify a series of historical films on the nuclear weapons program and convert them to videotape. These films document the development of nuclear weapons, starting with the first bomb tested in southeastern New Mexico in July 1945. This is the first time the films have ever been edited for declassification and public release (portions of some of these films were previously released.)

Department of Energy National Laboratories and Facilities

<http://www.doe.gov/people/peopnl.htm>

Secretary of Energy Openness Press Conference Fact Sheets, June 27, 1994:

<http://www.osti.gov/html/osti/opennet/document/fulltext.html>

At her first Openness Press Conference on December 7, 1993, Secretary Hazel O'Leary reemphasized the Department's firm commitment to the President's goal of openness in Government, outlined her Openness Initiative and, as a signal step in that process, released a wide variety of formerly classified information to the Department's stakeholders. This site contains Fact Sheets on newly-declassified information as well as a summary progress report on the many steps required to meet the openness goals.

Drawing Back the Curtain of Secrecy: Restricted Data Declassification Decisions (RDD-5) 1946 to Present (1/1/99):

<http://www.osti.gov/opennet/rdd-5.html>

This document provides historical perspective on the sequence of declassification actions performed by the Department of Energy and its predecessor agencies. It is meant to convey the amount and types of information declassified over the years. This document is not to be used as the basis for declassifying documents and materials without specific authorization from the Office of Declassification. Classification guides designed for that specific purpose must be used.

Secretary of Energy's Feb. 6, 1996 Press Conference Fact Sheets:

<http://www.osti.gov/html/osti/opennet/document/fulltext2.html>

Documents provided at the Secretary's 2/6/96 Press Conference.

Openness: The Way to Do Business, Secretary of Energy's Jan. 15, 1997 Press Conference Fact Sheets:

<http://www.doe.gov/html/osti/opennet/document/jan97/prcfacts.html>

Three years after announcing the Openness Initiative, the Department of Energy announced new measures to ensure that openness is the way to do business in the future. In addition, the Department released more newly-declassified material, and issued several reports on nuclear accountability, health, and safety, described in detail in the accompanying Fact Sheets.

Human Radiation Experiments (HREX) Information Management System:

<http://hrex.dis.anl.gov/>

The Human Radiation Experiments Information Management System was originally commissioned by the Department of Energy. It was designed by Argonne National Laboratory to allow users to search for imaged historical radiation documents that have gone through the OCR (Optical Character Recognition) process. HREX currently contains over 250,000 pages of historical documents from the following agencies: Department of Defense (DoD), Department of Energy (DOE), Department of Health and Human Services (HHS), Department of Veterans' Affairs (VA), and Central Intelligence Agency (CIA).

Secretary of Energy Advisory Board—Openness Advisory Panel:

<http://vm1.hqadmin.doe.gov/seab/>

The mission of the Secretary of Energy Advisory Board is to provide advice, information and recommendations to the Secretary on the Department's basic and applied research activities, economic and national security policy, educational issues, laboratory management, and on any other activities and operations of the Department of Energy as the Secretary may direct. Much of its work is conducted through subcommittees, including the Openness Advisory Panel.

Tank Waste Information Network System 2 (TWINS2):

<http://twins.pnl.gov:8001/>

This database allows easy access to characterization information on Hanford's tanks. The database is easy to use and understand, but the user needs appropriate spreadsheet or database software to make use of the products.

The Grand Junction Project Office Reports on Hanford Tank Farms:

<http://www.doegjpo.com/programs/hanf/HTFVZ>

These reports are in hypertext format, making them easy to access and use. They include graphics in the Portable Document Format (PDF) version, but fail to include graphics and visual components in the hypertext version. The PDF files are very large to download.

Comprehensive Epidemiological Data Resource (CEDR) Program:

<http://cedr.lbl.gov/>

This site begins to provide access to some of the Dose Reconstruction files for various sites. Some portions of the site require the user to login and have a password, due to state law requirements.

For more information, see the *Hanford Openness Workshops 1998 and 1999 Reports*, available via the HOW address or electronically at the HOW web site.