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HIGH-LEVEL VISIT: Roy Gephart of Pacific Northwest National Laboratory shares the view of the Hanford Site from Gable Mountain with Jessie Roberson, the new Department of Energy assistant secretary for Environmental Management. Roberson participated in meetings and tours for two days last week on her first visit to the Hanford Site since being named “cleanup czar” by Energy Secretary Spencer Abraham. In her position, Roberson is responsible for much of the cleanup work at Hanford, including waste operations, research-and-development programs and environmental restoration. Roberson has been a member of the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board and was the manager of DOE’s Rocky Flats Field Office in Colorado from 1996 to 1999.

IF THE BOOT FITS: Hanford firefighters (from left) Tom Perkins, Kelvin Schuman and Dennis Williams kick off the Hanford Fire Department’s Fill the Boot campaign to collect donations for the Muscular Dystrophy Association Labor Day Telethon hosted annually by comedian Jerry Lewis. Firefighters will be collecting for “Jerry’s kids” at barricades and security gates on Thursday, Aug. 23.

