

# PLUTONIUM FINISHING PLANT RECOVERY UPDATE

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Subject: PFP UPDATE: U PLANT MOCK-UP AND OTHER ACTIVITIES AT PFP

This week, the Plutonium Finishing Plant (PFP) team began conducting practice sessions at U Plant of waste load out activities. Using clean debris, crews will practice new waste handling, loading and surveying procedures. This activity should last for the next month; during this time, Hanford workers can expect to see activity near U Plant.

At the PFP, resumption activities continue, including the load out and transport of previously-packaged waste to the nearby Central Waste Complex. Crews are performing maintenance on heavy equipment inside the demolition zone. Routine fixative application continues, and workers are also preparing to set up new radiological areas inside the current radiological buffer area and work control zone. Additional communication is forthcoming regarding changes to the work control zone and radiological postings within to support eventual resumption of demolition.

The U.S. Department of Energy has not authorized demolition or load out of demolition debris; CHPRC will not conduct any PFP demolition activities until DOE approves them.

I want to thank the PFP team for its hard work over the past few months in stabilizing the PFP and planning for eventual demolition resumption.