



## U.S. Department of Energy Hanford Site

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Ms. Susan Leckband, Chair  
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Dear Ms. Leckband:

HANFORD ADVISORY BOARD FEBRUARY 6, 2020, CONSENSUS ADVICE #305,  
FUTURE WORKFORCE COLLABORATIONS HANFORD EMPLOYEE WORKFORCE  
PIPELINE

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) appreciates the Hanford Advisory Board's (HAB) commitment and time taken to support the Hanford cleanup mission.

We recognize the importance of a trained and qualified Hanford workforce. DOE requires its contractors to provide its personnel with the skills necessary to perform their work scopes, which will require additional focus with our new contracting structure. As stated in your Advice #305, DOE and its contractors have many initiatives underway and are engaged in taking a site-wide approach to fulfill workforce needs through efforts such as the Hanford Employee Workforce Pipeline.

DOE appreciates the time it took the HAB to work through these topics and concerns, bringing together different perspectives in consensus advice and providing suggestions, insights and lessons learned. We will consider this advice as we continue to manage the Hanford cleanup mission and further strengthen and diversify our workforce.

DOE values the HAB advice that is on the topics set forth in the charter for Environmental Management (EM) Site-Specific Advisory Boards, including the HAB. That charter provides that your focus should be "clean-up activities and environmental restoration; waste and nuclear materials management and disposition; excess facilities; future land use and long-term stewardship; risk assessment; and communications." In order to help provide further direction and focus, DOE is looking forward to discussing with the HAB the most helpful key HAB deliverables and messages for the HAB Fiscal Year 2021 Work Plan, at this year's HAB Leadership Workshop.

DOE values the HAB's representation of affected communities and thanks you for your continued commitment to Hanford cleanup. If you should have any questions, please contact me, or you may also contact JoLynn Garcia, HAB Federal Coordinator, Richland Operations Office, on (509) 376-6244.

Sincerely,

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