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**From:** ^General Delivery  
**Subject:** Hanford to Transition to Phase 2 Operations

## THE HANFORD SITE

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August 27, 2020

**TO:** All Hanford Site Employees

**SUBJECT:** Hanford to Transition to Phase 2 Operations

**\*\*PLEASE SHARE THIS MESSAGE WITH THOSE WHO ARE NOT ON COMPUTERS\*\***

As of 31 August, the site operational posture will transition to Phase 2, as we continue our phased ramp up of operations. This transition reflects community conditions as well as your commitment to preventing the spread of COVID-19 on-site, through continued use of face coverings, frequent hand washing, and social distancing. As we move forward, Site leadership will continue to assess community conditions, including our health care system capacity, testing availability, and Site conditions, as we remain engaged with county and state health officials, hospital administrators, and county and city officials. As we have done throughout Phase 1, should conditions warrant, we will continue to carefully manage our on-site population each week, as appropriate.

We have worked hard to prevent the spread of COVID-19 through our established COVID-19 protocols and practices, which continue to be key factors in prevention. These measures are working here and around the country and I thank you for your continued diligence to keep yourselves and others safe.

During Phase 2, work scope will build upon scope from Phase 1 to include field work that may require larger work teams and more extensive PPE use. We will continue to apply lessons learned from Phase 1 in our planning processes and continue to exercise the established COVID-19 prevention protocols. Employees will receive information from their direct supervisors regarding the transition and many will continue to work remotely. As always, please don't hesitate to follow up with your supervisors with specific questions.

The health and safety of our workforce remains our top priority and we will conduct our phased remobilization in a safe and deliberate manner. We will continue to implement enhanced health and safety protocols as well as enhanced cleaning and sanitation procedures. We each have the responsibility to do our part to protect ourselves and our coworkers by washing our hands frequently, refraining from touching our faces, avoiding shaking hands, staying at home if ill, and utilizing face coverings.

Information about the remobilization plans and activities is posted on Hanford’s COVID-19 intranet page, located at <http://www.rl.gov/page.cfm/COVID-19>.

The past months have been some of the most challenging in our cleanup history at Hanford. I want to thank each of you for your dedication and commitment as you have continued to conduct the important work to advance our mission at Hanford.

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