

SITE NAME:

Outreach Activity

Purpose/Driver of Outreach Activity

Hanford Live

Facilitated Q&A with Tri Party Agency representatives

Hanford Regional Dialogue

In-person, multiple rotating, small group, topic-focused, two-way dialogue breakouts between the public and staff of all three tri party agencies. TPA leadership listens to discussions and reflects what they heard at the end of the event.

Hanford State of the Site Meetings (discontinued)

Public informational meetings on individual cleanup decisions/permit modifications/waste incidental to reprocessing determinations

Inform interested members of the public regarding the content of decision support documents, process for submitting comments, opportunity to ask questions. Public comments not accepted during the event.

Public Involvement Calendar
DOE/NRC technical calls to resolve comments on WIR technical evaluations

Web-based, always accessible 3-month look-ahead for public meetings and other outreach activities.

Transparency and public information

Social Media Posts (Facebook, Twitter)
Animations and explanatory videos for specific site activities (e.g., PUREX tunnel grouting, TSCR system, tank retrieval)
5-year site progress vision "placemat"

Public Information

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School presentations (middle and high school)
Hanford presentations to Rotary, other community/civic organizations

Public awareness / STEM outreach

Public Awareness

Workforce development presentations (college career fairs). In-person traditionally, but trying virtual.

"Hanford Short Courses" (ECY). 13 topics lined up so far.

Public information; solicit public views and values

DOE through HMIS provides monthly media submissions to both the Herald and the Tri-Cities Journal of Business for all HAB and public involvement activities. Also make social media posts and events calendar entries to Hanford.gov and the local papers. Special projects receive even more promotion including TPA mailings, media releases and public service announcements coordinated with the TPA PIOs.

Public information and notice of public comment opportunities

What's missing?

10 year vision outreach
Regional Engagement to Solicit Broad public input and values to inform Hanford cleanup decisions (general engagement not during public comment periods)
engaging and educating non-Hanford-employed residents of the Mid-Columbia.

| Frequency | Conducted by: | | |
|---|---------------|-----|------------|
| | SSAB | DOE | Contractor |
| Annual | | X | |
| Uncertain. Two events were conducted in 2019. | | X | |
| Dependent on requirements of CERCLA/RCRA/NEPA/DOE Order 435.1, and others | | | |
| Updated every 3 months, presented at SSAB meetings | | | |
| Only during WIR process | | X | |
| Regular | | X | X |
| Annual | | | |
| Multiple per year | | | |
| Multiple per year | | | |
| Monthly via Facebook | | | |



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| Other Agency | Timing | | Venue | |
|--------------|-----------|------------|-----------|---------|
| | Pre-COVID | Post-COVID | In-Person | Virtual |
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Level of Interest/Participation from Community

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~70 per event. Participation was high, but attendance could have been higher.

Low for many individual actions, but higher for decisions related to tank closure and waste classification



Notes/Comments

Facilitator paraphrases questions from the public, raising concern among some that answers don't reflect original intent of questions. No chance for follow-up. Good that it is open to all participants using the platform (Facebook) and that agency reps are willing to be available for a wide range of potential topics.

DOE made a significant investment in resources to help make these events successful. Agency participation from EPA and Ecology was crucial and welcome. General public reactions seemed to be good, but benefits to cleanup are not highly tangible.

How much interaction comes from members of the public interacting with the online presence of DOE or other agencies?

Planned events haven't happened yet. Put on by WA Ecology.