Central Plateau M-15 Milestones

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Background

- Central Plateau M-15 Milestones series addresses submittal of Central Plateau Operable Units Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (RI/FS) Draft A reports and Proposed Plans to EPA and Ecology.

- Tri-Party Agreement (TPA) agencies agreed to place Central Plateau RI/FS documents on hold in FY13 to allow resources to focus on most critical priorities:
  - Plutonium Finishing Plant (PFP) decommissioning
  - Cleanup along the Columbia River
  - Groundwater treatment

- Central Plateau M-15 Milestone rescheduling discussions are expected to occur in Spring 2013.
200-WA-1 Operable Unit includes waste sites in the 200 West Area that are not included in other operable units.
200-WA-1 Work Plan Status

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- Draft A RI/FS Work Plan transmitted to EPA on 12/27/11
- EPA’s comments received on 5/15/12
- Response to comments is currently not funded
- DOE and EPA project leads working together to address comments and revise documents without contractor support
200-DV-1 is the Deep Vadose Zone Operable Unit
200-DV-1 Work Plan Status

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- Deep Vadose Zone RI/FS Work Plan to be accelerated from current M-015-110A milestone date of March 31, 2015
- Work on the RI/FS Work Plan was stopped at the end of FY11, prior to submittal of the decisional draft to DOE Richland Operations Office
- Prepared the 200-DV-1 Operable Unit Sampling and Analysis Plan in FY12
- Not funded in FY13
- DOE is assessing the option to finish without contractor support
200-SW-2 includes the burial grounds in the 200 East and 200 West Areas
200-SW-2 Work Plan Status

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– Draft A RI/FS Work Plan transmitted to Ecology on 11/7/11
– Ecology’s comments received on 8/10/12
– Response to comments not funded in FY12
– Not funded in FY13
– TPA agencies need to resolve major technical approach issues enabling work plan completion when funding becomes available
Path Forward

• Rescheduling discussions for the Central Plateau M-15 Milestones in 2013, including:
  – 200-WA-1 Work Plan
  – 200-DV-1 Work Plan
  – 200-SW-2 Work Plan

• Finalize work plans and have in place to allow initiation of field characterization when funding becomes available

• Continue to address current site priorities to protect groundwater and the Columbia River
  – PFP decommissioning
  – Cleanup along the Columbia River
  – Groundwater treatment