

2011 Hanford Lifecycle Scope, Schedule and Cost Report

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- Ecology is pleased to have a comprehensive tool to evaluate all of the Hanford cleanup effort
- We appreciate the efforts that the RL Project Integration and Control and the MSA contractor made to organize the report in terms of the Project Baseline Summary structure
 - Those PBSs form the structure that the USDOE uses to plan cleanup complex-wide
 - They represent multi-year efforts that Congress can fund annually but track well over time and see results

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- We share ownership for the contents of the 2011 report
 - Our management team helped to identify many of the 39 cleanup actions that still require decisions
 - We also helped to select the two cleanup actions that the USDOE analyzed in depth

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- Why we are finding the 2011 report useful
 - We can see all of the pieces of cleanup for both RL and ORP in one document
 - We understand the assumptions and limitations of the costs and schedule estimates
 - We have our first detailed view of a very large task: cleaning up 6 different kinds of landfills at Hanford
 - We are especially interested in reviewing the plausible range of alternatives for remediation of the 200-SW-2
 - For the first time, we can really see the impacts and costs for cleanup alternatives for 6 different categories of landfills in 4 different zones
 - We have a better idea of the upper bound (remove, treat, dispose) and three cost models, including costs for excavating waste that do not have handling or processing methods at Hanford

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- We understand that some reviewers will be frustrated because comments will not appear until the FY 2013 report
 - Work is already underway on the 2012 report
 - The deadline for the report will not change (January 31, 2012) so receipt of comments by November 10 does not allow the USDOE to modify the 2012 report by the deadline
- We know that 2011 and successive reports will help us and you to make informed decisions about cleanup activities with priority in times of reduced funding

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- We now have a more precise estimate of the cost and duration of cleanup than the range that appears in the USDOE's budget requests
- We can see more precisely what cleanup will be affected by lack of funding in FY 2012
 - We can estimate the increase in cost that any delays will bring
 - We can see what cleanup activities will be targeted for delay and estimate the increased risk to the environment and human health

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- We are very interested in your comments as members of the HAB and those from members of the public
- We encourage each of you to read the 2011 report