



# THE HANFORD SITE

## Hanford Site Self-guided Virtual Tour

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- Employee/Worker Engagement
- Personal commitment to everyone's safety
  - ❖ Responsibility and authority for safety are well defined and clearly understood as an integral part of performing work.
  - ❖ The line of authority and responsibility for safety is defined from the Secretary and contractor senior manager to the individual contributor. Roles and responsibilities, authorities and accountabilities are clearly defined in writing and are understood by each individual.
  - ❖ Individuals understand and demonstrate responsibility for safety. Safety and its ownership are apparent in everyone's actions and deeds.

- Objective of the briefing: The purpose of the briefing is to introduce the Hanford Advisory Board Public Involvement and Communication Committee to Hanford's virtual tour platform. The virtual tour is designed to be self-guided and is accessible to the public from the top banner of the [www.hanford.gov](http://www.hanford.gov) webpage.
- What is being briefed? An overview of the Hanford's virtual tour website.
- What do we want the HAB to do with this information? The goal is for the HAB to use the virtual tour website to educate and inform the community and other interested parties on the Hanford Site mission.



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### Virtual Tours Now Available!

*\*Use the Chrome web browser to access the virtual tours website.*



### TOP STORIES

Subcontractor Selected to Support Transfer of Radioactive Capsules to Dry Storage at Hanford

Analytical Lab Deemed Ready to Operate

Self-guided Virtual Tours Give Public a New View of Hanford Cleanup

Hanford Workers Retrieving Waste from Another Single-Shell Tank

### UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY FIELD OFFICES AT HANFORD

Office of River Protection

Waste Treatment Plant  
Tank Farms

222-S Laboratory

Richland Operations Office

River Corridor  
Central Plateau Cleanup

Groundwater  
Mission Support

### EVENT CALENDAR

There are no upcoming events in the system.

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- Hanford Tour Restrictions
- Manhattan Project National Historical Park Tours

## Hanford Site Tours

### NEW in 2021! - Hanford Site Virtual Tours

A virtual tours website is available to the public for self-guided views of cleanup projects throughout the 580-square mile Hanford Site. Features of the virtual tour include:

- Over 20 Hanford projects highlighted in a guided tour function that includes program descriptions
- Over 40 viewable Hanford map locations
- 360-degree camera views
- Internal views of select facility structures including the Waste Encapsulation and Storage Facility, Waste Treatment and Immobilization Plant, and 200 West Pump and Treat System
- Information "pins" that provide additional context
- Up-close views of exclusive Hanford locations, never before seen on a Hanford public cleanup tour

"Hanford cleanup is one of the great public works of our time. We are excited to have the tools to expand public awareness and appreciation of our important work with the virtual tour. Some of the locations featured on the virtual tour would not have otherwise been accessible to visitors due to the nature of our work. By utilizing technology, the virtual tour provides a superior experience and promotes public engagement."

Brian Vance, manager of the Hanford Site for the Department of Energy

The virtual tour website is best accessed through a Chrome web browser. You can copy and paste [www.vtours.hanford.gov](http://www.vtours.hanford.gov) into your browser, or click on the [Hanford tour link](#).

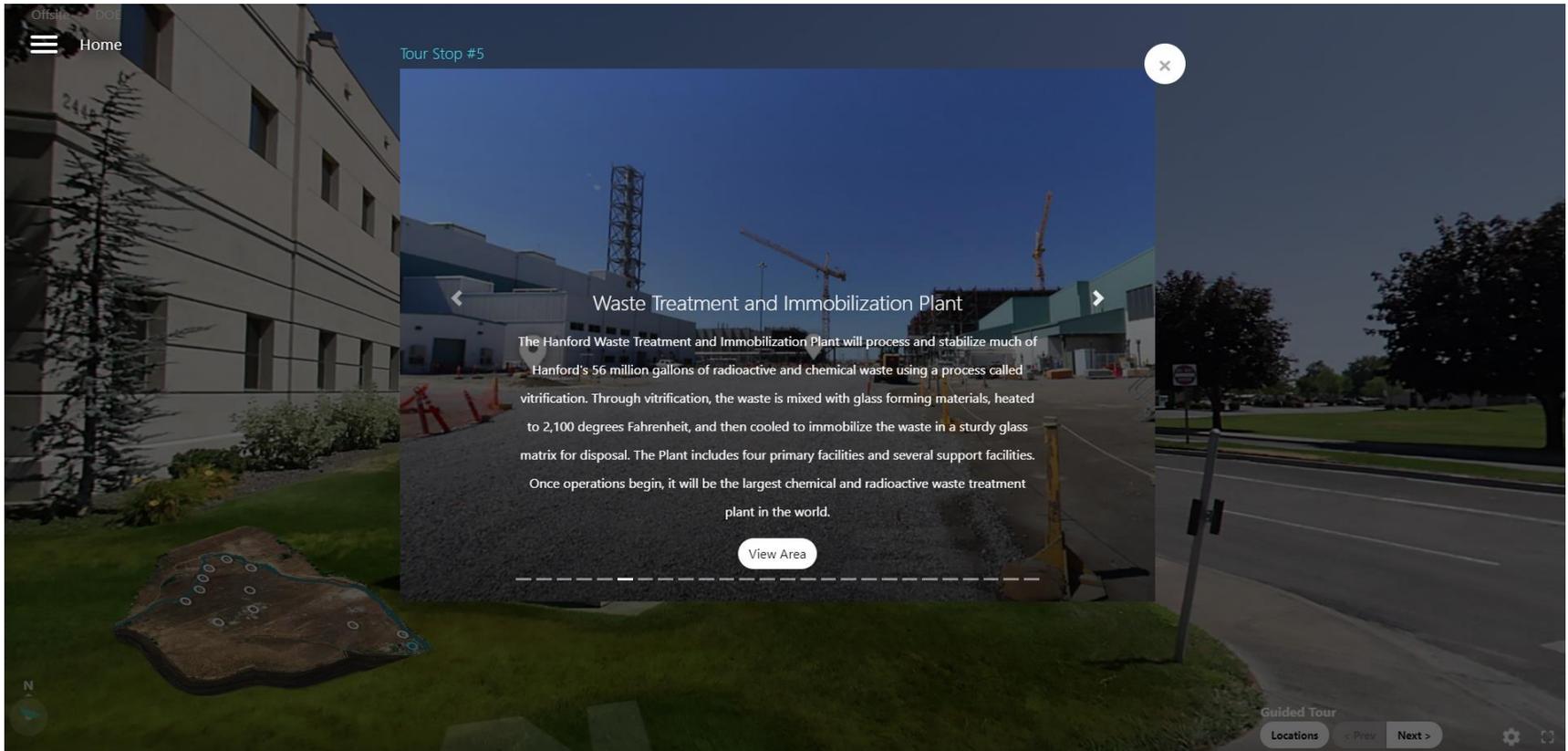


The public can go to the virtual tours website for self-guided tours of the 580-acre Hanford Site. Click the image above or go to [www.vtours.hanford.gov](http://www.vtours.hanford.gov)

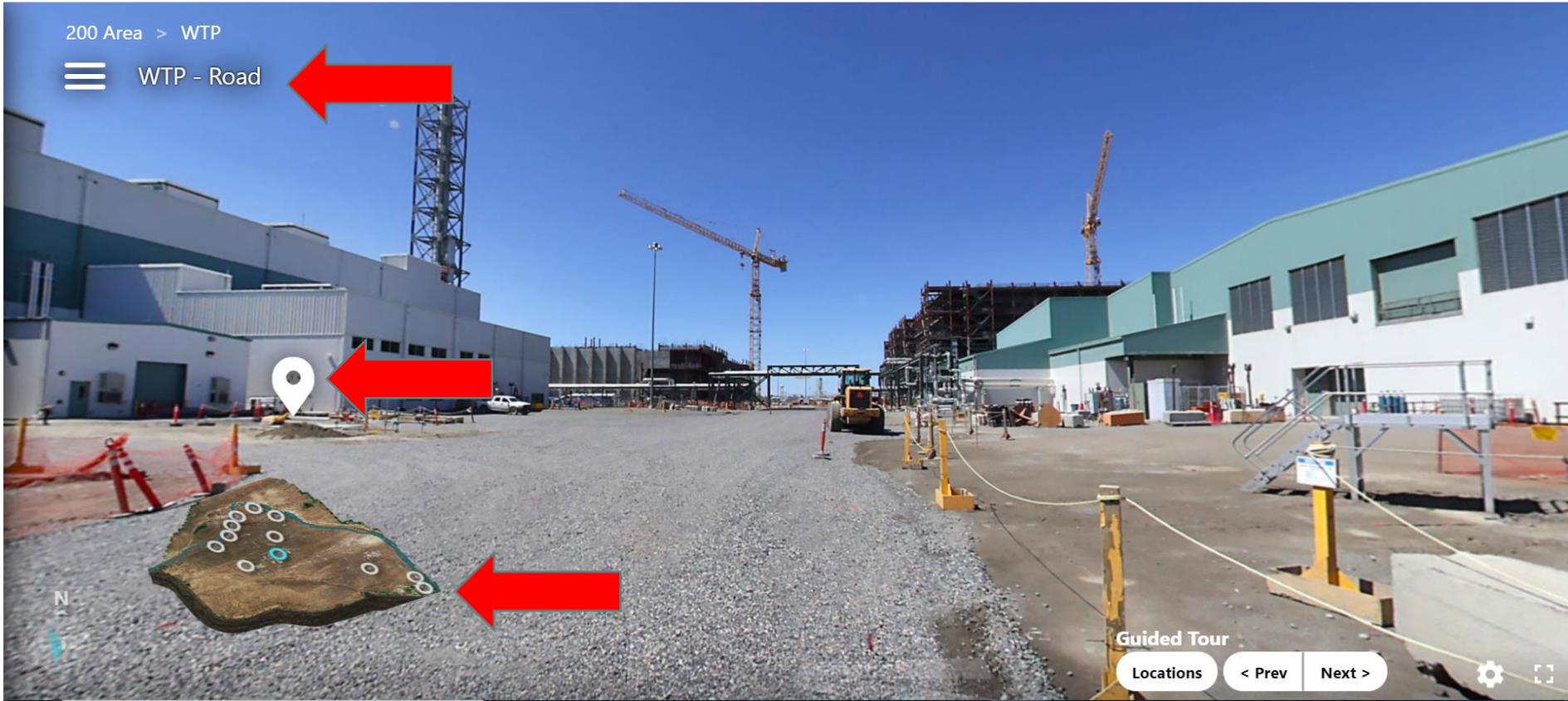




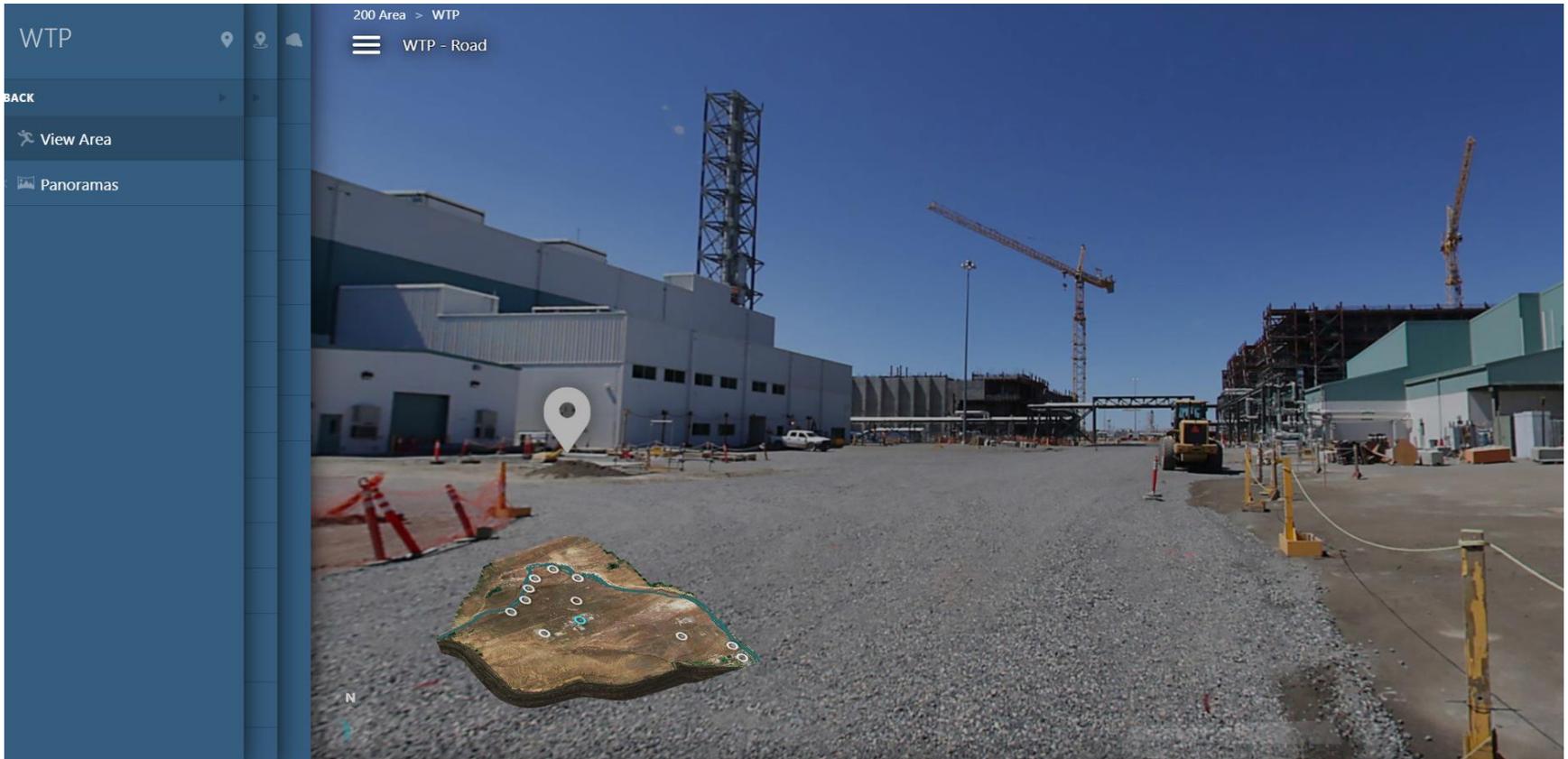
This map allows you to navigate virtually many locations across the Hanford Site.



You will be able to learn a little bit about what is happening at Hanford at each stop on the tour.



Most pages offer features to virtually see inside buildings and facilities, or to move to other parts of the Hanford Site.



Accessing the menu at the top left of the screen brings up additional guides for navigation.



The door invites you enter and learn more about the facility.



- What were the desired outcomes of offering the tour?
  - The virtual tour provides an additional tool to expand public awareness and appreciation of important Hanford cleanup work, reaching people who may not have opportunity to physically tour the site. Additionally, the virtual tour provides access to some locations that would not have otherwise been accessible to visitors due to the nature of the work being performed.
- How has the tour been received to date?
  - Feedback has been positive to date.

- Key Takeaways

- The virtual tour provides another tool to expand public awareness and appreciation of important Hanford cleanup work with the virtual tour.
- The virtual tour provides visual access to some locations that would not have otherwise been accessible to visitors due to the nature of the work being performed.
- By utilizing technology, the virtual tour provides a superior experience and promotes public engagement during a time when physical engagement is not possible, as well as for those unable to travel to the site for a tour.