

## PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

### Waste Treatment and Immobilization Plant (WTP) Project Proposed Construction of New Waste Storage and Transportation Staging Areas

*The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Office of River Protection (ORP) and Bechtel National, Inc. (BNI) are holding a 60-day public comment period on proposed modifications to the Hanford WTP Dangerous Waste Permit (Permit). The proposed permit change would add a small container storage pad and a Transportation Staging area for the transporters to ship the Immobilized Low Activity Waste (ILAW) containers to the Integrated Disposal Facility (IDF).*

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### Background

The Hanford Site is located in southeastern Washington along the Columbia River. The 580 square-mile site was created in 1943 as part of the Manhattan Project to produce plutonium for the nation's defense program. Today, waste management and environmental cleanup are the main missions at Hanford.

The DOE-ORP and BNI, as co-Permittees, are requesting a Class 2 Modification to the Hanford Facility RCRA Permit; WTP Permit (Operating Unit Group 10).

### Overview

The Permit establishes requirements to ensure waste management activities are protective of human health and the environment. DOE is proposing a Class 2 permit modification pursuant to Washington Administrative Code [WAC 173-303-830](#), which requires a 60-day public review process that includes a public meeting, a newspaper advertisement announcing the meeting, and this fact sheet.

### Summary of Changes

The purpose of the proposed modification is to add language into the WTP Permit describing a WTP Waste Storage Area and a Transportation Staging Area. The WTP Waste Storage Area will replace the non-radioactive dangerous waste storage area to support operations. Redline changes are proposed to the following sections of the permit; Dangerous Waste Permit Application Part A Form, Chapter 4 Process Information, and Chapter 4I Balance of Facilities Process Information, and updates to the Permit Condition Tables. The engineering specification for the concrete being used for the WTP Waste Storage Area will be added to Appendix 7.7 of the WTP Permit.

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## GET INVOLVED STAY INFORMED

#### Public Meeting:

May 8, 2019, 5:30 p.m.  
Richland Public Library  
955 Northgate Dr.  
Richland, WA 99352

#### Contact Information:

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#### Administrative Record:

<https://pdw.hanford.gov/arpir/index.cfm/viewDoc?accession=0063755H>

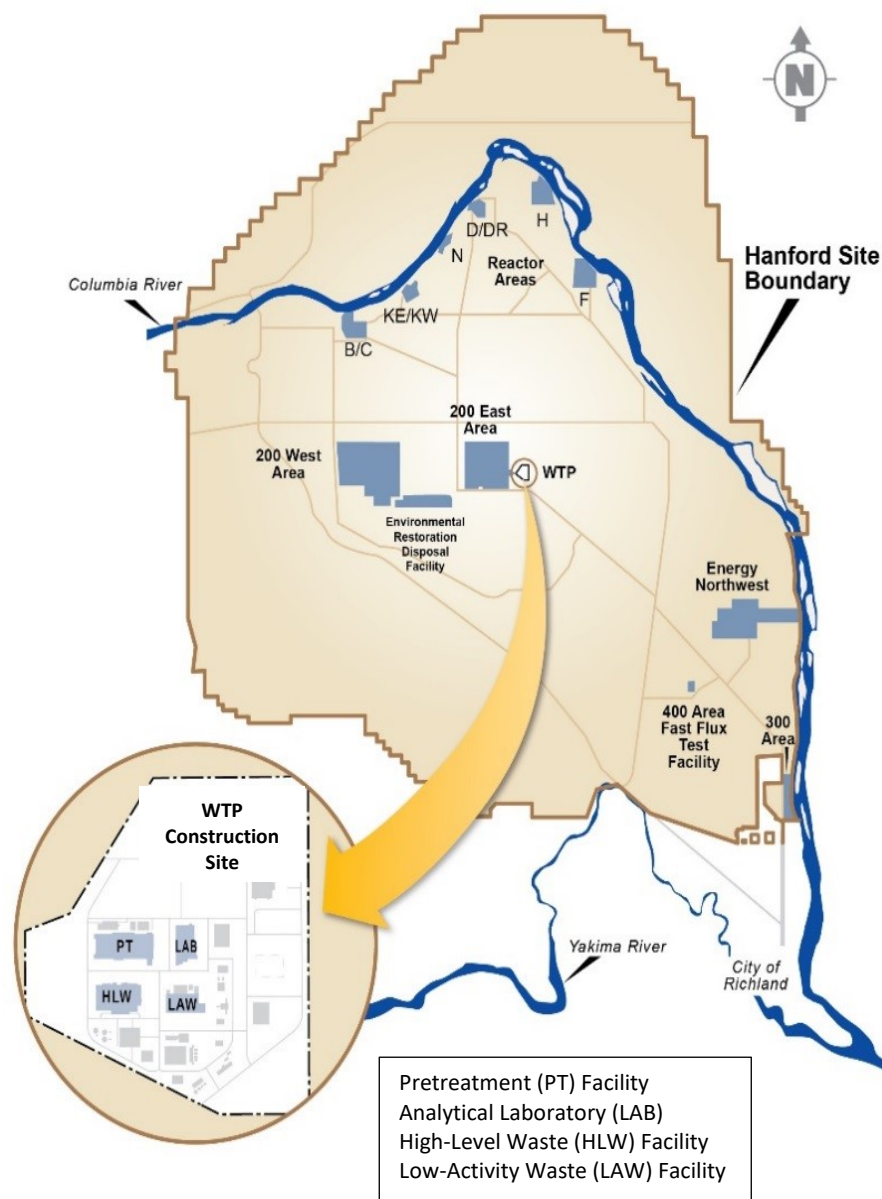
#### Submit Comments:

<http://wt.ecology.commentinput.com/?id=NSTBg>



Ecology approval of this modification would authorize construction of the WTP Waste Storage Area and Transportation Staging Area. Operations of these container storage areas will be described in the Class 3 permit modification for the Low Activity Waste and Effluent Management Facility operations scheduled to be submitted for public comment later this year.

The Dangerous Waste Permit Application Part A Form has been revised to identify the WTP Waste Storage and Transportation Staging Areas as Container Storage Areas. The WTP Transportation Staging Area is being permitted to stage ILAW transporters at the WTP after the ILAW containers have been loaded prior to shipment to the IDF on the Hanford Site.



## How To Get Involved

A 60-day public comment period is scheduled to begin April 1 and continue through May 30, 2019. A public meeting will be held on May 8, 2019, 5:30 p.m., Richland Public Library, 955 Northgate Dr., Richland, WA 99352.

To request disability accommodation, please contact Jennifer Colborn, [Jennifer M Colborn@rl.gov](mailto:Jennifer_M_Colborn@rl.gov), 509-376-5840 at least 10 working days prior to the event.

All comments need to be submitted by May 30, 2019, in writing, by mail, or by email (preferred) to:

Annette Carlson  
 Washington State Department of Ecology  
 3100 Port of Benton Boulevard  
 Richland, WA 99354  
<http://wt.ecology.commentinput.com/?id=NSTBg> (preferred)

At the conclusion of the public comment period, Ecology will address public comments and prepare a Response to Comment document.

Copies of the proposed modification and supporting documentation will be available during the public comment period online at <https://pdw.hanford.gov/arpir/index.cfm/viewDoc?accession=0063755H>, or on Ecology's website at <http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/nwp/commentperiods.htm>. Permit modification may also be viewed at the Hanford Public Information Repositories listed below.

### Hanford Public Information Repositories

<p><b>Portland State University</b>                  Government Information                  Branford Price Millar                  Library                  1875 SW Park Avenue                  Portland, OR 97207-1151                  Attn: Claudia Irla                  (503) 725-4542                  E-Mail: <a href="mailto:westonc@pdx.edu">westonc@pdx.edu</a></p> <p>Map:  <a href="http://www.pdx.edu/map.html">www.pdx.edu/map.html</a></p>	<p><b>University of Washington</b>                  Suzzallo Library                  Government Publications                  Dept.                  Box 352900                  Seattle, WA 98195-2900                  Attn: Hilary Reinert                  (206) 685-3130                  E-Mail: <a href="mailto:cass@uw.edu">cass@uw.edu</a>;  <a href="mailto:reinerth@uw.edu">reinerth@uw.edu</a></p> <p>Map:  <a href="http://www.tinyurl.com/m8ebj">www.tinyurl.com/m8ebj</a></p>	<p><b>U.S. Department of Energy</b>  <b>Public Reading Room</b>                  Washington State University, Tri-                  Cities                  Consolidated Information Ctr.,                  Rm. 101-L                  2770 University Drive                  Richland, WA 99352                  Attn: Janice Scarano                  (509) 372-7443                  E-Mail: <a href="mailto:doe.reading.room@pnnl.gov">doe.reading.room@pnnl.gov</a></p> <p>Map:  <a href="http://www.tricity.wsu.edu/campusmaps/campusmap.pdf">www.tricity.wsu.edu/campusmaps/campusmap.pdf</a></p>	<p><b>Gonzaga University</b>                  Foley Center Library                  East 502 Boone Avenue                  Spokane, WA 99258                  Attn: John Spencer                  (509) 313-6110                  E-Mail: <a href="mailto:spencer@gonzaga.edu">spencer@gonzaga.edu</a></p> <p>Map:  <a href="http://www.tinyurl.com/2c6bpm">www.tinyurl.com/2c6bpm</a></p>	<p><b>Ecology Nuclear Waste</b>  <b>Program Resource Center</b>                  3100 Port of Benton Blvd.                  Richland, WA 99354                  Attn: Valarie Peery                  509-372-7950                  E-Mail: <a href="mailto:Hanford@ecy.wa.gov">Hanford@ecy.wa.gov</a></p> <p>Online:  <a href="http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/nwp/commentperiods.htm">http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/nwp/commentperiods.htm</a></p>
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#### Administrative Record and Public Information Repository:

**Address:** 2440 Stevens Center Place, Room 1101, Richland, WA. **Attn:** Heather Childers  
**Phone:** 509-376-2530 **E-Mail:** [heather\\_m\\_childers@rl.gov](mailto:heather_m_childers@rl.gov) **Web site:** [www2.hanford.gov/arpir/](http://www2.hanford.gov/arpir/)

## Public Involvement Opportunity

We want to hear from you on the proposed changes to the Hanford Dangerous Waste Permit for the Waste Treatment and Immobilization Plant Project Waste Storage and Transportation Staging Areas.

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