

EVENTS IN PROGRESS/UPCOMING	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Holding Bin
<p><b>60-day Comment Period (July 10 – Sept. 8) Liquid Effluent Retention Facility and Effluent Management Facility (Basin 41) Class 3 Permit Modification.</b> This would allow construction of a fourth LERF basin and provide additional container storage and treatment capacity at the LERF and 200 Area Effluent Treatment Facility. Virtual public meeting Aug. 18, 5:30 p.m.</p>	↔			400 Area Waste Management Unit Class 2 Permit Modification
<p><b>60-day Comment Period (July 10 – Sept. 8) 242-A Evaporator PC 5000 Transfer Line 2 RCRA Permit Modification.</b> This would allow connection of the 242-A Evaporator facility PC-5000 transfer line to a new LERF Basin (Basin 41). The virtual public meeting Aug. 18, 5:30 p.m.</p>				Single Shell Tanks Class 3 Permit Modification
<p><b>120-day Comment Period (May 26 – Sept. 26 Nov. 27) Draft Waste Incidental to Reprocessing Evaluation for Vitrified Low-Activity Waste.</b> The Draft WIR Evaluation analyzes whether the VLAW meets waste management criteria, is incidental to the reprocessing of spent nuclear fuel, and may be managed (disposed of at the Hanford Site) as low-level radioactive waste in the future as has always been envisioned; June 10 virtual public meeting.</p>	←	→		<b>COMPLETED EVENTS</b>
<p><b>30-Day Comment Period (July 13 – Aug. 14 Oct. 14) B Plant EE/CA.</b> The EE/CA analyzes three alternatives for a non-time-critical removal action for the B Plant Complex.</p>	↔	→		(May 4 – July 8) 200-BP-5 and 200-PO-1 Proposed Plan for Interim Action Remediation of 200 East Groundwater Operable Units
<p><b>45-day Comment Period (Aug. 3 – Sept. 18 Sept 30) Waste Encapsulation and Storage Facility Permit modification.</b> This will add the WESF Operating Unit Group to the Sitewide Permit.</p>	↔	→		(May 8 – July 7) 242-A Evaporator Class 2 Permit Modification
<p><b>45-day Comment Period (Sept 21 – Nov. 4) (reopening) Closure Units at T Plant and Central Waste Complex.</b> The proposed modification is to close seven container storage areas. The units are going into the Site-wide Permit part 5, as closure unit groups.</p>	↔	→		(June 8 – July 24) Closure Plans at T-Plant and the Central Waste Complex (CWC) Permit Modification, 2 <sup>nd</sup> half of the Class 3 Permit Modification - <b>REOPENING</b>
<p><b>45-day Comment Period (Sept 28 – Nov. 12) (reopening) Low-Activity Waste Pretreatment System.</b> The proposed modification will add the Low-Activity Waste Pretreatment System Operating Unit Group 1 to the Sitewide permit..</p>		↔		(June 22 – August 7 ) Low-Activity Waste Pretreatment System, OUG 1 Permit Modification, 2 <sup>nd</sup> half of the Class 3 permit modification - <b>REOPENING</b>
				(June 15 – July 15) Hanford's Cleanup Budget Priorities

**COLOR KEY (More info on back)**

RCRA ACTIVITY

CERCLA ACTIVITY

TRI-PARTY AGREEMENT ACTIVITY

WIR PROCESS ACTIVITY

◇ Denotes Meeting

For more detailed information on Hanford public involvement activities, please visit the [Public Involvement Opportunities](#) website.



OTHER	September	October	November
<a href="#">Hanford Advisory Board (HAB)</a> Note: All HAB events are under review for the time being.	Committee Week [22-24]	PIC [6] HAB [7-8]	
<b>Events</b>	Leadership Workshop [1-2]		

**HANFORD REGULATORY PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT (PI)**

Regulation	<a href="#">RCRA*</a>	<a href="#">CERCLA**</a>	<a href="#">Tri-Party Agreement</a>
What does it do?	Manages cleanup of hazardous and mixed (hazardous and radioactive) waste~	Authorizes cleanup of hazardous waste sites	Guiding document for <a href="#">Hanford</a> cleanup
Who is the lead regulatory agency?	<a href="#">WA Department of Ecology</a>	<a href="#">U.S. Environmental Protection Agency</a>	All three agencies negotiate TPA changes
What are the PI opportunities?	Hanford permit actions	Proposed Plans on remedial actions and EE/CAs^ for removal actions	“Significant” changes to the TPA require public comment period
How long are the comment periods^^?	60 days (Class 2) 60 days + 45 days (Class 3)***	30 days	45 days
Is a public meeting required?	Yes	No (can be requested)	No (can be requested)
Do the agencies issue a formal response to comments received?	Yes	Yes	Yes

\*Resource Conservation and Recovery Act. Ecology is authorized by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to implement the federal hazardous waste rules in Washington, where they are called the [Dangerous Waste Regulations](#).

\*\*Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (aka Superfund)

\*\*\*Class 3 permit changes require two comment periods. The first is held by the U.S. Department of Energy (permittee) on the permit application/modification request; the second is held by Ecology on the permitting decision.

~Hazardous/Mixed Waste – Hazardous waste is (non-radioactive) waste that is dangerous or potentially harmful to human health or the environment. Hazardous wastes can be liquids, solids, gases, or sludges. Hazardous waste comingled with waste containing radioactive constituents is called mixed waste. Hazardous and mixed waste are managed under RCRA.

^Engineering Evaluation/Cost Analysis – The purpose of an EE/CA is to summarize cleanup alternatives for waste sites under a “non-time critical” removal action and recommend one of the alternatives. It is similar to a CERCLA proposed plan for a remedial action.

^^Public comment periods may be extended upon request

