TRI-PARTY AGREEMENT AGENCIES - PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT CALENDAR – Fall/Winter 2017-2018

EVENTS IN PROGRESS/UPCOMING	November	December	January
Class 2 permit modification for Effluent Management Facility Process Equipment – **60-day comment period – November 6, 2017 – January 5, 2018; Public meeting/webinar planned 5:30 p.m. December 7, Richland Library**	60-day comment period		
Class 3 permit modification addresses the preparation of WESF for transfer of the capsules to the proposed storage area – **60-day comment period – November 20, 2017 – January 26, 2018 (tentative); Public meeting/webinar planned December 13, Richland Library**	60-day comment period		
Class 3 permit modification addresses the construction and operation of a proposed Capsule Storage Area – **60-day comment period – November 20, 2017 – January 26, 2018 (tentative); Public meeting/webinar planned December 13, Richland Library**	60-day comment period		

HOLDING BIN
PUREX Tunnel Regional Public Information Workshop – **TBD**
PUREX Complex EE/CA with AMU tank closure plan – **TBD**
B Plant Complex EE/CA – **TBD**
100-BC Area Proposed Plan – **Spring 2018**
100-N Area Proposed Plan – **TBD**
Site-Wide Permit, Rev 9 – **TBD (2019)** ◇

COMPLETED EVENTS	August	September	October
Class 3 modification for Low-Activity Waste Pretreatment System permit – **60-day comment period (1 of 2) – July 17-~~September 15~~ October 30 (public meeting held August 21, Richland Library)**			
Public Meeting on the Notice of Intent for a Proposed Capsule Storage Area for Cesium and Strontium at Hanford – **5:30 p.m. September 21 @ Richland Library (no formal comment period was associated with this meeting)**		Public meeting Sept. 21	

◇ **Denotes meeting**

COLOR KEY (more info on back):

RCRA ACTIVITY
CERCLA ACTIVITY
TRI-PARTY AGREEMENT ACTIVITY

ADVISORY BOARDS	November	December	January
Hanford Advisory Board (HAB)	November 8-9 (M Hotel)		
HAB Committee Meetings (Meetings are held at the Richland Library unless otherwise noted)	Nov. 7 – Public Involvement Committee	Committee Week Dec. 5-7 (tentative)	Committee Week Jan. 9-11 (tentative)
Oregon Hanford Cleanup Board	Nov. 27-28 (The Dalles)		

For more detailed information on Hanford public involvement activities, please visit the Hanford Events Calendar.

Hanford Regulatory Public Involvement (PI)

Regulation	RCRA*	CERCLA**	Tri-Party Agreement
What does it do?	Manages cleanup of hazardous and mixed (hazardous and radioactive) waste~	Authorizes cleanup of hazardous waste sites	Guiding document for Hanford cleanup
Who is the lead regulatory agency?	WA Department of Ecology	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency	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 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