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SUBJECT: Key Changes to Hanford Site Traffic Safety Initiatives

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The Mission Support Alliance, LLC (MSA), will not be piloting the one-way traffic safety option on Route 4 South (4S) from Canton Avenue in 200E Area to the Wye Barricade.

After a vigorous and thorough evaluation by MSA traffic management, HAMTC, and Hanford emergency response organizations, along with support and input from the Benton County Sheriff’s Office (BCSO), Washington State Patrol, and Transportation Solutions, Inc., the MSA determined that the one-way option was not viable as a short-term solution for improving safe driving conditions on 4S.

Two key issues led to this decision. The first was concerns by emergency response organizations that the one-way option would challenge their ability to reach the scene of an incident in a safe and timely manner. The second is the fact that other traffic safety options we’ve already implemented, including traffic enforcement improvements, a merge lane and speed limit change, are expected to provide similar benefits and alleviate the need for the one-way option.

Together with DOE and other Hanford contractors, MSA will continue to support a strong safety culture on the Hanford Site and will continue seeking out other traffic management initiatives that will provide similar safety benefits to the Hanford drivers.

For more information about the Traffic Safety Project, please visit the Web site at http://www.hanford.gov/page.cfm/HanfordTrafficSafety or to provide feedback, you can e-mail trafficsafety@rl.gov.