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## ACRONYMS

BMP	best management practice
CERCLA	<i>Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980</i>
DOE-RL	U.S. Department of Energy, Richland Operations Office
Ecology	Washington State Department of Ecology
ERT	electrical resistance tomography
GWQC	Groundwater quality criteria
HAMMER	hazardous materials management and emergency response
HVAC	heating, ventilation, and air conditioning
NPDES	National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System
TEDF	200 Area Treated Effluent Disposal Facility
WAC	Washington Administrative Code

## METRIC CONVERSION CHART

Into metric units

Out of metric units

If you know	Multiply by	To get	If you know	Multiply by	To get
<b>Length</b>			<b>Length</b>		
inches	25.40	millimeters	Millimeters	0.0393	Inches
inches	2.54	centimeters	Centimeters	0.393	Inches
feet	0.3048	meters	Meters	3.2808	Feet
yards	0.914	meters	Meters	1.09	Yards
miles	1.609	kilometers	Kilometers	0.62	Miles
<b>Area</b>			<b>Area</b>		
square inches	6.4516	square centimeters	Square centimeters	0.155	Square inches
square feet	0.092	square meters	Square meters	10.7639	Square feet
square yards	0.836	square meters	Square meters	1.20	Square yards
square miles	2.59	square kilometers	Square kilometers	0.39	Square miles
acres	0.404	hectares	Hectares	2.471	Acres
<b>Mass (weight)</b>			<b>Mass (weight)</b>		
ounces	28.35	Grams	Grams	0.0352	Ounces
pounds	0.453	Kilograms	Kilograms	2.2046	Pounds
short ton	0.907	metric ton	Metric ton	1.10	Short ton
<b>Volume</b>			<b>Volume</b>		
fluid ounces	29.57	Milliliters	Milliliters	0.03	Fluid ounces
quarts	0.95	Liters	Liters	1.057	Quarts
gallons	3.79	Liters	Liters	0.26	Gallons
cubic feet	0.03	cubic meters	Cubic meters	35.3147	Cubic feet
cubic yards	0.76456	cubic meters	Cubic meters	1.308	Cubic yards
<b>Temperature</b>			<b>Temperature</b>		
Fahrenheit	Subtract 32 then multiply by 5/9ths	Celsius	Celsius	multiply by 9/5ths, then add 32	Fahrenheit
<b>Force</b>			<b>Force</b>		
pounds per square inch	6.895	Kilopascals	Kilopascals	1.4504 x 10 <sup>-1</sup>	Pounds per square inch

Source: *Engineering Unit Conversions*, M. R. Lindeburg, PE., Second Ed., 1990, Professional Publications, Inc., Belmont, California.

## 1.0 INTRODUCTION

On December 23, 1991, the U.S. Department of Energy, Richland Operations Office (DOE-RL) and the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology) agreed to adhere to the provisions of Department of Ecology Consent Order No. DE 91NM-177 (Consent Order). The Consent Order lists regulatory milestones for liquid effluent streams on the Hanford Site to comply with the permitting requirements of Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 173-216, *State Waste Discharge Permit Program*, or WAC 173-218, *Washington Underground Injection Control Program*, where applicable.

Hanford Site liquid effluent streams discharging to the soil column are categorized in the Consent Order as follows:

- Phase I Streams
- Phase II Streams
- Miscellaneous Streams.

Phase I and Phase II Streams are addressed in two reports: *Plan and Schedule to Discontinue Disposal of Contaminated Liquids into the Soil Column at the Hanford Site* (DOE-RL 1987), and *Annual Status of the Report of the Plan and Schedule to Discontinue Disposal of Contaminated Liquids into the Soil Column at the Hanford Site* (WHC-EP-0196-1). There originally were 33 Phase I and Phase II Streams; however, some streams have been eliminated. Miscellaneous streams are those liquid effluent streams discharged to the ground that are not categorized as Phase I or Phase II Streams. Source waters of miscellaneous streams originate directly from the Columbia River, from treated Columbia River water, or from groundwater and demineralized water. Miscellaneous streams result primarily from source water used in processes such as cooling, hydrotesting, and steam generation. Miscellaneous streams also occur through the use of these source waters for maintenance and construction activities such as draining, flushing, and washing.

Miscellaneous streams discharging to the soil column on the Hanford Site were subject to the requirements of several milestones identified in the Consent Order (DE 91NM-177). The *Plan and Schedule for Disposition and Regulatory Compliance for Miscellaneous Streams* (DOE/RL-93-94) provides for the disposition of miscellaneous streams to satisfy one of the Consent Order Section 6 requirements. Additional commitments established in the plan and schedule (Activity 6.2.3, 6.2.4, and 6.2.6) were to submit WAC 173-216 Categorical State Waste Discharge Permit applications for hydrotest, maintenance, and construction waste water, cooling water and condensate, and storm water discharges. Activity 6.2.5 required the submittal of a WAC 173-216 Categorical State Waste Discharge Permit application for surface water discharges from coal ramp washdown, vehicle washing, and safety shower discharges. However, through stream elimination and through permitting streams under existing Categorical Permits, Ecology agreed to eliminate the requirements under activity 6.2.5.

The *State Waste Discharge Permit Application, Hydrotest, Maintenance, and Construction Discharges* (DOE/RL-95-93) was submitted to Ecology in November 1995. Ecology issued State Waste Discharge Permit ST 4508 on May 30, 1997. The *State Waste Discharge Permit Application, Cooling Water and Condensate Discharges* (DOE/RL-96-41) was submitted to Ecology in September 1996. Ecology issued State Waste Discharge Permit ST 4509 on May 1, 1998. The *State Waste Discharge Permit Application, Storm Water Discharges* was submitted to Ecology September 2, 1998 (98-EAP-445). Ecology issued State Waste Discharge Permit ST 4510 for Industrial Storm Water discharges to engineered structures on April 1, 1999.

Condition S5 of these Permits requires the permittee to develop and implement a pollution prevention and best management practices (BMP) plan for all discharges covered. This Pollution Prevention and Best Management Practices Plan (Plan) is enforceable per Condition S5.B of each Permit. Failure to comply with the plan constitutes a violation of each Permit.

## 1.1 ORGANIZATION

This Plan is divided into sections that address the technical requirements of each Permit. The Permits should be referred to directly for guidance on and compliance with requirements.

Hydrotest, maintenance, construction, cooling water, condensate, storm water discharges and other relevant discharge processes covered by the Permits, and guidance on handling these discharges, are presented in Sections 2.0, 3.0, 4.0, 5.0, 6.0, and 7.0, respectively. Section 8.0 describes BMPs, and why these practices are effective in preventing groundwater contamination. Section 9.0 contains the Permit requirements for all discharges and the permittee's policy on the discharges. Section 10.0 describes categories of miscellaneous streams that are exempt from the requirements of the Permits and of this Plan. Section 11.0 cites references used in the preparation of this document. Appendix A contains summary tables of BMPs for each of the processes covered by the Permits and this Plan. Appendix B contains a log form to track significant discharges in accordance with Permit ST 4508.

A separate document, *Miscellaneous Streams Best Management Practices (BMP) Report* (DOE/RL-96-40) was written specifically to evaluate miscellaneous streams that potentially were contaminated as defined by specific criteria outlined in DOE/RL-93-94. The BMP categories include (1) streams discharging to surface contaminated areas; (2) potentially contaminated streams, and (3) streams discharging near cribs, ditches, or trenches. Each stream meeting any of these criteria was evaluated to determine a method or BMP to minimize the impact on groundwater.

## 1.2 APPROACH

Hydrotest, maintenance, construction, cooling water, and condensate discharges were identified based on specific activities. Storm water discharges are specific to industrial storm water discharges that are collected in engineered structures and discharged to engineered structures. A summary of discharges identified for this Plan is provided in Table 1-1. Descriptions of the discharge processes are provided in Sections 2.0 through 7.0.

Table 1-1. Summary of Discharges Covered under Permits ST 4508, ST 4509, and ST 4510.

Hydrotest ST 4508	Maintenance ST 4508	Construction ST 4508	Cooling Water ST 4509	Condensate ST 4509	Storm Water ST 4510	Other ST 4508 ST 4509
System or component testing	Drainage	Concrete curing and rinsate	Air compressors	Steam lines/heating systems	Industrial storm water collected in engineered structures and discharges to engineered structures	HAMMER Pond
Development testing	Flushing	Pressure washing	Engines	Air compressors		Pump leak water
	Washdown activities	Acid etching	Evaporative cooling	Air conditioning		Valve wastewater
	Eye wash/safety shower testing		Air conditioning	Ice machines		Water tank overflow
			Ice machines	Ventilation systems		

HAMMER = hazardous materials management and emergency response.

## 2.0 HYDROTEST DISCHARGES (PERMIT ST 4508)

Hydrotesting is the process of testing the integrity of systems or components (i.e., tanks, pipes, or pumps). Examples of hydrotest processes that involve wastewater discharge are system or component testing and development testing. These two hydrotesting processes are described in the following sections. A checklist of BMPs for hydrotest discharges is provided in Appendix A, Table A-1.

### 2.1 SYSTEM OR COMPONENT TESTING

System or component testing is performed by methods such as measuring static pressure drops or by applying pressure to check for leaks. Measuring static pressure is accomplished by filling the tanks or pipes with any of the approved source waters and applying hydrostatic pressure on the tank or pipe. With all valves or clamps closed off, observation detects any drop in the measured pressure in the tank or pipe. A drop in pressure indicates a weakness in the pipe or tank walls. When the testing is complete, the valve or clamp is opened and water is allowed to discharge to the soil column. This process also can be applied to valves and fittings to determine their susceptibility to leaks and spills.

Hydrotesting usually is performed as part of acceptance testing during construction of a new facility, but also can be done during routine integrity testing, upgrading, troubleshooting, or repairing of an existing system. Examples of different types of standard testing practices include, but are not limited to,

acceptance testing, qualification testing, pre-operational testing, operational testing, and production/process testing.

## 2.2 DEVELOPMENT TESTING

Development testing is performed to provide or develop the following:

- Design information, concepts, or criteria
- Calculate and verify design, safety, or reliability concepts or criteria
- Develop performance characteristics through the use of mockups or test facilities
- Study and research activities
- Develop engineering specification requirements and specific design objectives
- Resolve engineering or technological issues.

These discharges are typically comprised of potable or raw Columbia River water, groundwater, or demineralized water that might have some specific material added.

Examples of development testing are tracer studies and experimental discharges.

- **Tracer Studies.** Tracer studies are used to determine the routing of piping systems. It often is necessary to perform tracer studies when performing water balance studies, mapping flow systems, and verifying drawings or existing flow maps. These studies typically consist of flooding a system with water and adding a marker (either a dye, or anion such as bromide, or chloride). Positive pressure is applied to the system, and samples are taken at various locations considered downstream. If sample analysis results are positive, the location is verified.
- **Experimental Discharges.** This category could include other discharges related to experimentation or research. For example, experimental discharges from electrical resistance tomography (ERT) and the hydraulic test bed might be included. The purpose of the ERT research is to detect leaks in underground tanks by injecting raw or potable water with a sodium chloride tracer into the ground and measuring the electrical resistance between the electrodes. The purpose of the hydraulic test bed test is to evaluate retrieval technologies from simulants consisting of bentonite and kaolin solutions. Water generated from these tests contains a high solids content and is not acceptable for discharge to existing sewer systems. This water is discharged directly to the ground and allowed to evaporate or percolate.

## 3.0 MAINTENANCE DISCHARGES (PERMIT ST 4508)

Maintenance activities often produce wastewater discharges. These discharges normally are performed during routine maintenance tasks, and could consist of potable or raw water from the Columbia River or potable water from groundwater wells. Discharges also could be performed as a part of facility and system deactivation activities. For example, reservoirs and pipe systems could be flushed with clean water and deactivated. Examples of maintenance discharges on the Hanford Site are described in the following. A checklist of BMPs for maintenance discharges is provided in Appendix A, Table A-1.

### 3.1 DRAINAGE

Periodically, reservoirs and pipe systems that hold water need to be drained to perform maintenance activities such as sealing repairs, upgrading a section of pipe, replacing valves or other components, rerouting the flow, or system deactivation/shutdown. Draining activities could occur at various filter basins (i.e., water treatment plants), water tanks, sumps, or other related equipment. In addition, drainage from process or continuous monitoring equipment may result in discharges of raw or potable water.

### 3.2 FLUSHING

Flushing is the process of washing dirt and construction debris from the inside of piping, tanks, and other related equipment. This process requires only enough water to wash the debris from the inside of equipment. Water used for this process is monitored visually for cleanliness. Flushing is complete when the water visually appears clean. Raw water, groundwater, or potable water is used for this process and is not allowed to come in contact with constituents that would cause the discharge to exceed 110 percent of the WAC 173-200 "Groundwater Quality Criteria" (GWQC).

Flushing also is performed to disinfect potable water lines. Disinfecting potable water lines kills bacteria present inside the piping system. During disinfecting activities, the water lines are filled with chlorinated water for up to 2 days. After sample analysis shows no bacteria are present, the water is discharged to the ground. Disinfection precedes flushing, so only clean water is discharged. Disinfection could be performed during maintenance and construction activities.

### 3.3 WASHDOWN ACTIVITIES

Washdowns are performed periodically as maintenance activities. Washdowns include road, equipment, buildings, and other similar activities. Small amounts of detergents sometimes are used to perform these activities.

- **Pressure Washing.** It often is necessary to wash and clean parts or surfaces during maintenance activities. Pressure washing is used to clean a surface to apply special coatings; removing rust, dirt, and grit from parts before painting; and/or to prepare a surface for welding or bonding. Pressure washing also is used for general maintenance and facility cleaning. Potable or raw water is used for pressure washing. If detergents or additives are used, these should be minimized.
- **Road Washing.** The roads are washed down to remove salts, oil, and other miscellaneous debris. Potable or raw water is used for road washing, and sometimes detergents are used. Use of detergents or additives are minimized.
- **Building Washing.** These activities could include general building cleaning, window cleaning, exterior maintenance, and other exterior building-related tasks. Raw or potable water is used for building washing. Use of detergents or additives are minimized.

### 3.4 EYE WASH AND SAFETY SHOWER DISCHARGES

Routine safety shower and eye wash station maintenance testing is performed to ensure systems operate and perform properly. During testing activities, clean potable water is discharged. During emergency

situations, if significant quantities of contaminants are removed from an individual, efforts are made to minimize discharge to the environment, after stabilizing injured or contaminated personnel. If significant quantities of contaminants are removed from an individual and discharged with the potential to threaten groundwater, the discharge is cleaned up and managed appropriately. Appropriate management could include sampling for potential contamination, excavating contaminated media, and proper disposal.

#### **4.0 CONSTRUCTION DISCHARGES (PERMIT ST 4508)**

Examples of construction processes that involve wastewater discharges include concrete curing, pressure washing, and acid etching. These processes are described in the following sections. A checklist of BMPs for construction discharges is provided in Appendix A, Table A-1.

##### **4.1 CONCRETE CURING AND RINSATE**

To aid in the curing process, a concrete structure could be sprayed with water or a solution of water and a curing agent (generally wax or paraffin-based, although in some rare situations an epoxy-based agent is added). If only water is used to assist the curing, the concrete is covered in burlap and sprayed with water. Water might drain off the edges of the concrete. If a curing agent is used, the solution may be applied with a pressurized hand-sprayer to minimize the amount of solution used. In addition, concrete trucks and tools used for construction are cleaned and the rinse water is discharged onto the ground (AGC 1990).

##### **4.2 PRESSURE WASHING**

It often is necessary to wash and clean parts, equipment, or surfaces during construction activities. Pressure washing might be used to clean a surface as preparation for applying special coatings; removing rust, dirt, and grit from parts before painting; and/or to prepare a surface for welding or bonding.

##### **4.3 ACID ETCHING**

Acid etching might be used to etch concrete to accommodate a coating of paint or other special protective coatings inside or outside of buildings. In this process, water is added to the surface of the concrete. A 10 percent solution of 33 to 37 percent muriatic acid or 15 percent solution of 60 to 80 percent phosphoric acid is spread onto the concrete. The rinse water is collected, the pH is tested, and, if necessary, lime is added to raise the pH to groundwater discharge standards. Sometimes a base such as tri-sodium phosphate is used to neutralize the material.

#### **5.0 COOLING WATER AND CONDENSATE DISCHARGES (PERMIT ST 4509)**

The following sections provide descriptions of the equipment that generate cooling water and condensate discharges. For each type of equipment, the types of wastewater discharge are identified. A checklist of BMPs for cooling water and condensate discharges is provided in Appendix A, Table A-1.

## **5.1 AIR COMPRESSORS**

Air compressors are used to provide compressed air to equipment and/or systems. Many types of compressors use a water-filled cooling jacket to cool the system. The water discharged from the cooling jacket becomes a wastewater stream. As the air is cooled by the cooling system, the water vapor is condensed. A trap located at a receiver tank collects the condensed water and periodically discharges the water as blowdown.

The source water used for the cooling jacket is potable water. This system is usually a once-through, non-contact system. The wastewater generated is the same type of water as the source water, because the cooling systems are separated from the mechanical parts of the compressor.

## **5.2 ENGINES**

Engines are used to provide emergency backup for electrical or steam driven systems in case of emergency or operational failure of the primary systems. Cooling is essential to diesel-fueled systems and a water cooling system is used to cool the engine. The cooling system is a once-through, non-contact system that separates the water from the mechanical parts of the engine; therefore, contamination of the wastewater does not occur.

## **5.3 HEATING, VENTILATION, AND AIR CONDITIONING**

Wastewater streams are produced by equipment and/or individual systems within a heating, ventilation, and air conditioning (HVAC) system, such as heating system stream traps, air conditioning cooling coils and heat exchangers, evaporative overflow, and ventilation stack demisters.

### **5.3.1 Heating System**

Many of the facilities use steam or steam jackets as a heat source to maintain constant temperature for building heat or for heating tank systems. As the steam travels through the piping, from the boiler into the facility, contact with the cooler pipe and/or equipment surfaces allows the steam to condense. The condensate is discharged from the system through manual blowdown valves during startup, to quickly fill a heater with steam. The steam trap valve is activated at a predetermined pressure setting, which releases, discharging the condensate in the trap.

### **5.3.2 Air Conditioning**

Air conditioning systems cool building air through the use of a compressor and a heat exchanger to cool incoming air. The operation of the compressor generates large amounts of heat, which is dissipated from the system using a once-through, non-contact, water-cooled heat exchanger, or an air-cooled heat exchanger. As the temperature drops, condensate is formed, collected, and discharged from the system.

### **5.3.3 Evaporative Cooling**

Another air conditioning system that creates a cooling water stream is an evaporative cooling system. Evaporative cooling uses the cooling effect of evaporating water to cool a recirculating water stream.

Because of the evaporation process, a small amount of cooling water is allowed to overflow and discharge.

## **5.4 ICE MACHINES**

Ice machines use a refrigerant-air heat exchanger to cool an air stream that is used to cool water to freezing temperatures, and a compressor that changes the refrigerant vapor leaving the evaporator back to a liquid before re-entering the heat exchanger. As the air is cooled in the heat exchanger, the air forms condensate that is collected and discharged as wastewater.

## **6.0 OTHER DISCHARGES (PERMITS ST 4508 & ST 4509)**

Discharges that do not appear in one of the categories of Permits ST 4508 and ST 4509, but are of similar quality and quantity to other discharges covered, are identified as follows.

### **6.1 HAZARDOUS MATERIALS MANAGEMENT AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE TRAINING**

The training water pond discharges an estimated 1,000 gallons per day to the ground. The discharge is unintentional and results from a leaking liner. The pond collects water that has been used during training activities and stores the water for reuse. The source water is Richland city water (potable water) that is treated at the pond to control algae and bacteria growth, and neutral pH, which maintains an acceptable quality for use in training activities. A checklist of BMPs for the HAMMER pond discharge is provided in Appendix A, Table A-2.

### **6.2 PUMPS**

A pump wastewater source can be generated by either the necessary cooling equipment (i.e., the pump driver) or from leaks caused by preventive maintenance or aging components (packing and/or seals). Leaks could occur around worn or loosely fit packing or pump seals. The source water from pump leaks can include raw, potable, or demineralized water. A checklist of BMPs for these discharges is provided in Appendix A, Table A-1.

### **6.3 VALVES**

Water lines use several different types of valves to control the pressure and flow of the water. Many of these valves produce a water discharge during operation. The source water from pump leaks can include raw, potable, or demineralized water. The following type of valves contribute to wastewater discharges. A checklist of BMPs for these discharges is provided in Appendix A, Table A-1.

- Pressure relief valves. When the pressure exceeds the desired operational limits in a water line, the pressure relief valve opens.

- Control valves. Different types of control valves are used on water lines, but the basic common function is to regulate and/or control the flow of water through the lines.
- Vent valves. Vent valves are used on water lines to release air trapped in the lines when the lines are in use or are placed in service.

## 6.4 WATER TANKS/RESERVOIRS

Potable water stored in reservoirs and water tanks is allowed to discharge to help eliminate mineral and bacteria buildup within the tanks and to prevent freezing. This water is discharged continuously at low volumes throughout the year. Other discharges that fall within this category include an elevator shaft that has potential to receive water from broken water lines, and quench tank cooling water used to cool carbon and stainless steel. A checklist of BMPs for these discharges is provided in Appendix A, Table A-1.

## 7.0 INDUSTRIAL STORM WATER DISCHARGES (PERMIT ST 4510)

Discharges covered by Permit ST 4510 include industrial storm water discharges to ground that are collected in engineered structures and discharged to engineered disposal structures. An industrial storm water discharge is defined as a discharge from any conveyance which is used for collecting and conveying storm water and which is directly related to manufacturing, processing or raw materials storage areas at an industrial plant. A checklist for BMPs is provided in Appendix A, Table A-1. For a discharge to require coverage under Permit ST 4510, the following three criteria must be met.

- Industrial Storm Water--The storm water discharge must be considered an industrial discharge. A storm water discharge is an industrial discharge if the storm water has the potential to come into contact with an industrial activity or is collected within an area of industrial activity. *Note: Examples of non-industrial storm water discharges include discharges from administrative buildings, employee parking lots and roadways.*
- Collected in an engineered structure--The industrial storm water discharge must be collected in an engineered structure such as a lined trench, basin, retention structure, secondary containment, tank, sump, roof, and other impervious surfaces directly associated with industrial activities.
- Discharged to an engineered structure--The storm water must be discharged to an engineered disposal structure such as an injection well, dry well, catch basin, infiltration basin, or infiltration trench.

Storm water discharges that do not meet all three criteria do not require coverage under Permit ST 4510.

The following examples provide scenarios of industrial storm water discharges that must comply with Permit:

- Storm water collected in a *Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) of 1976* regulated container storage secondary containment area that is discharged to an injection well. Permit compliance is necessary because the storm water contacted an industrial source, was collected in an engineered structure, and was discharged to an engineered structure.

- Storm water collected in a loading dock where chemicals are managed and discharged. The collected stormwater is discharged to a dry well. Permit compliance is necessary because the storm water contacted an industrial source, was collected in an engineered structure, and was discharged to an engineered structure.
- Storm water collected on a paved parking area that is inside a RCRA permitted treatment, storage, and/or disposal unit boundary and discharged. If the collected storm water contacts potential contaminants such as contaminated equipment or stored containers and is discharged to an engineered structure (i.e., infiltration trench), compliance with the Permit would be required.

## 8.0 BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES

BMPs, as defined in WAC 173-200, are "schedules of activities, prohibited practices, maintenance of procedures, and other management practices to prevent or reduce the pollution of groundwater of the state. BMPs also include treatment requirements, operating procedures and practices to control plant site runoff, spillage or leaks, sludge or water disposal, or drainage from raw material storage." The National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) guidance (EPA-600/9-79-045) defines baseline BMPs as "those management practices generally considered to be good practices that are low in cost and are applicable to broad categories of industry and types of substances." According to the *Guidance Manual for Developing Best Management Practices (BMP)* (EPA-833-B-004), "BMPs are inherently pollution prevention practices. Traditionally, BMPs have focused on good housekeeping measures and good management techniques intending to avoid contact between pollutants and water media as a result of leaks, spills, and improper waste disposal."

BMPs include, but are not limited to, good housekeeping, preventive maintenance, inspections, record management, and training. Descriptions of these BMPs are based on EPA-833-B-004 and are provided in the following sections. The applicability and degree of each BMP varies with each waste stream depending on the potential contaminants, volume of discharge, and the duration of discharge.

A checklist of appropriate handling practices for discharges covered by the Permits are provided in Appendix A, Table A-1. BMPs identified specifically for the HAMMER pond are provided in Appendix A, Table A-2. The following sections provide general descriptions of BMPs and why these are important in protecting the quality of groundwater.

### 8.1 GOOD HOUSEKEEPING

Good housekeeping is the maintenance of a clean, orderly work environment. Maintaining an orderly facility means that materials and equipment are neat and well maintained to prevent releases to the environment. Together, the terms clean and orderly define a good housekeeping program.

Examples of good housekeeping could include neat and orderly storage of bags, drums, and chemicals; prompt cleanup of spilled liquids to prevent significant run-off to surface water or infiltration to groundwater; sweeping, vacuuming, or other cleanup of chemical accumulations, as necessary, to prevent these from reaching the environment; and provisions for materials stored or accumulated outdoors or situated in a location that could be released to the soil.

Maintaining personnel support in good housekeeping is vital. Monitoring methods for maintaining good housekeeping practices include regular housekeeping inspections by management; discussions of housekeeping at safety meetings and pre-job briefings; and publicity through posters, suggestion boxes, bulletin boards, slogans, or incentive programs.

## **8.2 PREVENTIVE MAINTENANCE**

Preventive maintenance is a method of periodically inspecting, maintaining, and testing equipment and systems to uncover conditions that could cause breakdowns or failures. Such breakdowns could result in significant discharges of chemicals to the environment. Adjustment, repair, or replacement of equipment helps prevent breakdowns and failures. An effective preventive maintenance program is important to prevent spills or releases.

A preventive maintenance program could include (1) identification of equipment or systems applicable to the program; (2) periodic inspections or tests of identified equipment and systems; (3) appropriate adjustment, repair, or replacement of equipment; and (4) maintaining records of applicable equipment and systems maintenance activities. Documentation on preventive maintenance could include a list of procedures, a list of the principal systems applicable to the program, and directions for obtaining the records on any particular system.

## **8.3 INSPECTIONS**

Inspections provide an ongoing method to detect and identify sources of actual or potential environmental releases. Inspections are important for process control and to ensure that procedures are implemented properly. Inspections could include equipment, systems, and facility areas identified as having the potential for significant discharges. The nature of chemicals handled, materials of construction, and site-specific factors including age, inspection techniques, and cost-effectiveness, also should be considered for inspection.

Inspections could occur before, during, and after discharges and could include examination of pipes, pumps, tanks, supports, foundations, dikes, and drainage ditches. Inspections also could include examination for leaks, seepage, and overflows from land disposal sites such as spray fields, pits, ponds, lagoons, and landfills. Documentation should be kept to determine if changes in preventive maintenance or good housekeeping procedures are necessary.

## **8.4 TRAINING**

Personnel training is a method to instill in responsible personnel an understanding of this Plan, including the reasons for developing the Plan and the positive impacts of the Plan. Specifically, personnel responsible for discharges covered by the Permits should know why BMPs are necessary to protect the environment and know the types of BMPs that could be used for each process and related activities. This knowledge will assist those who plan and oversee the jobs to identify discharges that might affect groundwater. This Plan, which addresses Permit requirements and provides basic pollution prevention/BMP information, can be used as a training tool; e.g., required reading. Training should occur before discharge and could include reading to become knowledgeable concerning the BMPs, as well as briefings at pre-job safety meetings.

## 8.5 RECORDS MANAGEMENT

Maintaining complete and accurate records for 3 years as prescribed in condition G10 of each Permit is important to avoid duplication of effort, to provide a basis for effective work planning, and to provide readily accessible data for reporting purposes. For example, records of pre-, during, and post-discharge measurements and samples as needed could provide useful lessons learned information that could be considered when planning future discharges.

Good records management assists the administrative and regulatory aspects of compliance, as well as preserving the history of discharge activities. Recordkeeping requirements specific to the Permits are described in Section 9.5.

## 9.0 PERMIT REQUIREMENTS

This section describes individual requirements specified in the Permits. Permit requirements and the associated Permit numbers are in bold italics; additional guidance is provided for each requirement. Underlined text indicates that the requirement is specific to Permit ST 4508.

### 9.1 DISCHARGE QUANTITY LIMITATIONS

For a discharge to be covered by the Permits, the following conditions must be met.

***SI.B.1 Each discharge must be less than 10 gallons per minute averaged annually. Annual average flow is calculated for each discharge as total gallons discharged in a calendar year, divided by the number of minutes in that year.*** This means that the Permits do not cover any single discharge greater than 5,292,500 gallons (10 gallons per minute x 60 minutes x 24 hours x 365 days). A single discharge is a continuous or batch wastewater stream discharging to the same location from the same process.

***SI.B.2 Each discharge covered by Permits ST 4508 and ST 4509 must be less than 150 gallons per minute instantaneously. Note: Industrial storm water discharges (Permit ST 4510) do not require compliance with this condition.*** This means that the maximum flow rate for a single discharge must be less than 150 gallons per minute at any one time. This is to allow time for the water to infiltrate into the soil and minimize erosion.

An exception to this requirement is identified in Permit ST 4508 for drinking water line flushing activities, which include:

- Opening hydrants to flush contaminants from drinking water lines
- Flushing drinking water lines that have been sanitized by the addition of chlorinated water
- Flow testing of drinking water lines
- Flushing after hydrotesting of drinking water lines.

These activities are allowed to exceed the 150 gallons per minute limit for up to 20 minutes, but at no time will be allowed to exceed 1,000 gallons per minute.

**NOTE: If a planned discharge cannot meet these two discharge limitations, but meets the WAC 173-200 GWQC, a written request could be submitted to Ecology for coverage of the discharge under this Permit. The request must be submitted at least 10 working days before the planned discharge.**

and must include the information specified in Permit ST 4508, Special Condition S7.A. If the request is denied, a one-time application for a limited duration Permit must be submitted for the discharge.

***S2.A The total flow of all discharges covered by Permit ST 4508 shall not exceed the maximum daily flow of 2,000,000 gallons. This condition will be considered to be met as long as the flow total of all measured significant discharges (as defined in special condition S6) is below 1,500,000 gallons per day. Special Condition S6 of Permit ST 4508 defines significant discharges as 'a single discharge over 14,500 gallons in a 24-hour period or a single discharge over 50,000 gallons total in a calendar year'.***

***S4.D Reasonable efforts shall be taken to prevent ponding due to discharge flow rates above the expected soil infiltration capacity.*** Reasonable efforts could include selecting an appropriate discharge location, selecting an appropriate discharge rate, inspecting the discharge location during discharge for ponding, or any other appropriate efforts.

## 9.2 SOURCE WATER LIMITATIONS

***S3 The only allowed source waters to be used for discharges covered by Permits ST 4508 and ST 4509 are raw Columbia River water, potable water (treated Columbia River water or groundwater), or demineralized water (treated potable water). The State Waste Discharge Permit Application for Hydrotest, Maintenance, and Construction discharges (DOE/RL-95-93) describes the quality of these source waters and lists potential contaminants contained in each source water. No sampling and analysis of the source water is required by this Permit; however, routine and effective operation of the potable water plants require monitoring of the source waters. If new contaminants or levels of previously identified contaminants are detected at or above the GWQC, or if the level of a contaminant increases by more than 10% for any contaminant in a source water, the Permittee will notify Ecology, and Ecology will evaluate if the water should still be used as source water.***

Raw water has been filtered through a coarse screen, but has not been treated. The raw water is converted into potable water through conventional water treatment facilities located in the 100-K, 100-N, 200, and 400 Areas, as well as in the City of Richland. Groundwater (potable well water) also is used as source water for Hanford Site activities. Demineralized water is generated by filtration followed by a mixed bed ion exchange, and is used to verify that discharge pumps are working properly.

These raw and potable source waters must maintain the quality as described in Tables 5-1 through 5-4 of DOE/RL-95-93. Although no sampling and analysis of source water are required by the Permit, routine and effective operation of the potable water treatment plants do require monitoring of source waters.

***The only source water for Permit ST 4510 is storm water.*** Storm water is defined as that portion of precipitation that does not naturally percolate into the ground or evaporate, but flows via overland flow, interflow, pipes, and other features of an engineered stormwater drainage system into a constructed infiltration facility.

***S1.B.3 Each discharge must meet WAC 173-200 GWQC unless the discharge is expected to have a contaminant that exceeds the GWQC solely because the source water has a contaminant that exceeds one or more of the GWQC. Also, discharges that exceed the GWQC at the effluent, but are prevented from impacting groundwater quality, would be covered by this Permit.***

Source water analytical information can be found in DOE/RL-95-93. If BMPs are evaluated and followed, and approved source water is used, this requirement will be met.

NOTE: Refer to the Permit Application (DOE/RL-95-93) for examples of acceptable analytical and sampling methods.

### 9.3 POLLUTION PREVENTION AND BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES PLAN

***S5.A Plan Elements. The Permittee shall develop and implement a pollution prevention and BMPs plan for all discharges covered by these Permits. This plan shall provide guidance on appropriate handling of discharges covered by Permits 4508, 4509, and 4510 on the Hanford Site and the plan shall incorporate all the terms and conditions of these Permits. The plan should be usable as a training document for all employees responsible for discharges covered by the Permits.***

***Recommendations and guidance for this plan may be taken from appropriate Ecology publications, industrial association publications (e.g., guidance from the Associated General contractors of Washington), or other sources, with additional Hanford Site specific details added. For discharges under ST 4508 and ST 4509 where the effluent is expected to exceed the GWQC or 110% of the contaminant level in the source water, the plan must specify how impacts to ground water quality will be prevented.***

***The plan or plans should be broken down by categories and sub-categories so that each individual discharge covered by these Permits can point to a specific section of the plan(s) for the appropriate pollution prevention and BMPs for the particular discharge. If an individual discharge cannot point to a specific section of the plan(s) for the appropriate pollution prevention and BMPs, then such a discharge is not covered by this Permit until an appropriate section is added to the plan(s).***

Impacts to groundwater will be prevented by implementing the BMPs in Appendix A, Tables A-1 and A-2.

### 9.4 DISCHARGE LOCATION LIMITATIONS

All discharges covered by the Permits will implement the following BMPs where appropriate.

***S4.A No discharge shall be allowed within a surface contaminated area (areas with dangerous waste and/or radioactive contaminants).*** Surface contaminated areas are defined as those near-surface soils contaminated with dangerous and/or radioactive waste.

***S4.B No discharge shall be allowed within 300 feet horizontal radius of a known active or inactive crib, ditch, or trench used for disposal of dangerous and/or radioactive contaminants.*** Cribs, ditches and trenches were used to dispose of liquid effluents that might have contained dangerous and/or radioactive contaminants.

***S4.C No discharge shall be allowed to affect an ecologically sensitive area. (This requirement is not required for Permit ST 4510).*** Discharges will avoid or minimize impacts to areas where species of concern, as defined in the Hanford Site Biological Resources Management Plan (DOE/RL-96-32) are located. The reason 'minimize' is indicated is because a species of concern could be a migratory bird and these can be located anywhere throughout the Hanford Site. A minimizing action could be to conduct the discharge when the migratory birds are elsewhere.

*An alternate condition S4.C for Permit ST 4510 is as follows.*

*The collection of storm water in any tank, sump, pit, or other engineered structure that is contaminated from past or present operations and could potentially contaminate the storm water with dangerous and/or radioactive contaminants shall be avoided. If such collection occurs, then field screening or analysis of the industrial storm water for the contaminants of concern, based on process knowledge, is required prior to discharge. Only industrial storm water that tests free of contamination and meeting the GWCQ can be discharged under this Permit. For industrial storm water where tests indicate it has become contaminated, the industrial stormwater shall first require treatment and then discharge under this or other discharge Permits, or other proper disposal.*

*S4.E There shall be no discharges or run-off of wastewater to any surface waters of the state or to any land not owned by or under control of the Permittee, except as authorized or exempted by a wastewater discharge Permit program. Facilities permitted to discharge wastewater to surface waters of the state are regulated under the NPDES Permit and are excluded from this plan.*

*S4.F If the discharge meets the conditions of State Waste Discharge Permit ST 4502 for the 200 Area Treated Effluent Disposal Facility (TEDF), and the discharge is near a connection to the TEDF collection system, then all reasonable attempts should be made to discharge to the TEDF. Discharge to other permitted wastewater treatment facilities, such as the 300 Area TEDF, is also acceptable, if such a discharge is allowed under the other treatment facilities discharge Permit. (This condition is not required for Permit ST 4510.)*

## **9.5 DISCHARGE TRACKING (PERMIT ST 4508 ONLY)**

*S6 Significant discharges covered by this Permit shall be tracked. A significant discharge is any single discharge over 14,500 gallons in a 24-hour period or any single discharge over 50,000 gallons total in a calendar year. These significant discharges will be recorded in a log. Information required to be kept in this log includes type and date of discharge, source water, additives, total volume (gallons), discharge rate (gallons/minute), location, soil loading rate (gallons/minute/square feet), name of assigned responsible person (as described in special condition S5.B), and other pertinent information. The log for each calendar year shall be submitted to Ecology by the following February 15<sup>th</sup>, annually.*

## **9.6 RECORDKEEPING**

*G10 The Permittee shall retain records of all monitoring information, including all calibration and maintenance records and all original recordings for continuous monitoring instrumentation, copies of all reports required by this Permit, and records of all data used to complete the application for this Permit, for a period of at least 3 years. This period of retention shall be extended during the course of any unresolved litigation regarding the discharge of pollutants by the Permittee or when requested by the Director of Ecology.*

*For each measurement or sample taken, the Permittee shall record the following information: (1) the date, exact place, and time of sampling; (2) the dates the analyses were performed; (3) who performed the analyses; (4) the analytical techniques or methods used; (5) the results of the analyses reported to the Method Detection Limit; and (6) the name of the individual who performed the sampling or provided the measurement. Note: These recordkeeping requirements are required only when a discharge is suspected to contain contaminants.*

## 10.0 PERMIT EXEMPTIONS

Currently, several categories of miscellaneous streams are not subject to permitting under WAC 173-216 and, therefore, are not subject to the provisions of this Plan as defined in DOE/RL-93-94. The exemptions are as follows.

- Purgewater resulting from well sampling, well development, well rehabilitation, and aquifer testing must be managed according to *Strategy for Handling and Disposing of Purgewater at the Hanford Site, Washington*. (DOE-RL 1990).
- Industrial wastewater that is discharged to the ground for beneficial use (e.g., irrigation, aesthetics, dust control) does not require permitting. However, industrial wastewater must meet the WAC 173-200 GWQC at the point of discharge unless it can be demonstrated to the satisfaction of Ecology that the site-specific characteristics will degrade or attenuate contaminants before reaching the groundwater, and will not generate contaminants by discharging wastewater into the environment.
- Fire test water that is not potentially contaminated is exempt from permitting. Fire test water includes fire system checks, fire system functional tests, flushing of fire systems before testing, and training exercises at training centers onsite during facility drills.
- Wastewater from washing the exterior of vehicles is exempt from permitting and must be managed according to *Vehicle and Equipment Wastewater Discharges* (WQ-R-95-56).
- Discharges to the ground from cleanup activities conducted under *Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) of 1980* are not required to be permitted by WAC 173-216 or registered under WAC 173-218.
- Stormwater that is not considered industrial by definition (Section 7.0).

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**APPENDIX A**

**CHECKLIST OF BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES**

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Table A-1. Checklist of BMPs for Permits ST 4508, ST 4509, and ST 4510<sup>1</sup>.

✓	<b>PRE-DISCHARGE BMPs</b>	
	<b>Good Housekeeping Practices</b>	Maintain general good housekeeping practices. Refer to Section 8.1 for examples.
	<b>Preventive Maintenance Program</b>	Maintain a preventive maintenance program. Preventive maintenance assists in minimizing contaminants by fixing potential problems early. Refer to Section 8.2 for examples.
	<b>Inspections</b>	Inspect piping components and surrounding area for potential contamination. Before the scheduled discharge, an inspection of the piping, valves, etc., and surrounding area should be performed to identify leaking valves, equipment, spills, contaminated soil, or other material that might present a potential for contamination during discharge.
	<b>Training</b>	In addition to the general pollution prevention training provided on the Hanford Site, personnel responsible for hydrotest, maintenance, stormwater, and construction discharges should receive additional training that could include reading this document and being able to identify and implement suitable BMPs for the applicable processes covered under Permits.
	<b>Cleaning</b>	If valves or other equipment involved in the discharge show signs of visual contamination such as oil, wipe down, if necessary, the appropriate areas before discharge. If nonhazardous solvent is used, allow the solvent to evaporate before the discharge begins.
	<b>Source Water</b>	The appropriate source water should be used before discharge. Source water includes raw Columbia River water, potable water, and demineralized water. The appropriate source water for Permit ST 4510 is storm water. Refer to Section 9.2 for source water definitions.
	<b>Location Criteria</b>	Ensure discharge locations meet required criteria. A map should be reviewed, as well as performing a visual inspection, to identify all items necessary. Location limitations are provided in the Permits and in Section 9.4 of this document.
✓	<b>DURING DISCHARGE BMPs</b>	
	<b>Maintain Required Flow Rates</b>	Maintain discharge flow rates within required ranges. Refer to Section 9.1 for additional detail as needed.

<sup>1</sup> The applicability and degree of each BMP varies with each waste stream depending on the potential contaminants, volume of discharge, and the duration of discharge.”

**Table A-1. Checklist of BMPs for Permits ST 4508, ST 4509 and ST 4510.**

	<b>Minimize Solids</b>	Minimize discharged solids with strategically placed filters (e.g., screen) if appropriate. Before each discharge, the responsible person should determine the appropriate BMPs. Filtering the wastewater is one BMP that might or might not be appropriate. If the wastewater quality can be moderately increased with minimal effort, such as filtering, the appropriate BMPs should be implemented.
	<b>Collect Discharge</b>	Before each discharge, the responsible person should determine the appropriate BMPs. Collecting the wastewater is one BMP that might or might not be appropriate. Collect discharge, if appropriate, and visually inspect for contaminants. Whenever appropriate, all water should be recycled and reused. If there is a reasonable potential for contamination, the wastewater should be sampled before discharge to the ground.
	<b>Removed Substances</b>	Collected screenings, grit, solid, sludge, filter backwash, oil, or other pollutants removed in the course of treatment or control of wastewaters to the effluent stream for discharge should not be resuspended or reintroduced to the waste water stream per Permit condition requirement G.7.
	<b>Minimize Ponding</b>	If ponding occurs because of the flow rate, all reasonable efforts should be made to reduce the flow rate or move the discharge point to another suitable location.
	<b>Minimize Discharge</b>	Minimize the amount of water used, thereby limiting the amount of discharge. This BMP might not be controllable for discharge under Permit ST 4510.
	<b>Minimize Additives</b>	If using a detergent or additive, minimize the amount used. Nonhazardous additives should be used when feasible.
	<b>Inspections</b>	Inspect equipment or system for leakage during the discharge.
	<b>Recycle/Reuse</b>	Use water for dust control or irrigation whenever possible. Recycle wastewater whenever possible.
✓	<b>POSTDISCHARGE BMPS-FOR HYDROTEST, MAINTENANCE, OR CONSTRUCTION DISCHARGES</b>	
	<b>Documentation</b>	Document significant discharge characteristics as required in Section 9.4 if the discharge exceeds 14,500 gallons in a 24-hour period or any single discharge over 50,000 gallons in a calendar year. This requirement is applicable to hydrotest discharges as described in section 2.0. Discharges meeting these criteria shall be reported to personnel in charge of logging all discharges.
	<b>Lessons Learned</b>	Review the discharge process and determine if there is anything else that can be done next time to minimize potential pollutants in the wastewater, to minimize the amount of water used, and/or to recycle or reuse wastewater.

**Table A-2. Checklist of BMPs for HAMMER Pond.**

✓	<b>PREDISCHARGE BMPs</b>	
	<b>Good Housekeeping</b>	Maintain general good housekeeping practices as described in Section 8.1. All hazardous materials, equipment, or other items with the potential to contaminate wastewater should be properly stored away from the pond and associated drains.
	<b>Preventive Maintenance</b>	Weekly water level measurements of the pond will be taken to identify any large leaks in the pond liner. However, water levels will fluctuate depending on the precipitation, the number of training exercises, evaporation rates, etc.
	<b>Inspections</b>	Inspect visible portions of the pond liner monthly for cracks or other potential problems. In addition, inspect the surrounding area for potential contamination.
	<b>Training</b>	In addition to the general pollution prevention training provided on the Hanford Site, personnel responsible discharges should receive additional training that includes reading this document and being able to identify and implement the selected BMPs for the HAMMER Pond.
	<b>Cleaning</b>	The entire pond will be drained, inspected and refilled with potable water once every 5 years.
	<b>Location Criteria</b>	Ensure discharge location meets required criteria provided in the Permits and Section 9.3 of this document.
	<b>Water Treatment</b>	Chemical additives (e.g., bleach and algaecides and for pH control sulfuric acid) are added to the pond to control algae, bacteria, and bugs. Chemicals will be added when algae visually is observed in the pond and will be maintained at the minimal level to prevent algae growth. Currently, bromide is added to maintain a concentration of approximately 1 part per million. Weekly samples will be collected and analyzed. Chemicals will be added into the pond via the artificial stream of the recirculation system.
✓	<b>DURING DISCHARGE BMPs</b>	
	<b>Protect Drains</b>	Vehicles allowed to park near the drain lines that carry water used in the training exercises back to the pond for reuse will be monitored for spills and leaks. This will prevent oil contamination of the water in the pond.
	<b>Simulate Hazardous Materials</b>	Props will be used to simulate hazardous materials for the purposes of the training exercises. For example, a drum might be labeled as 'hazardous waste' but only will contain water.
	<b>Minimize Additives</b>	As stated under Water Treatment, additives should be maintained at the minimum levels required to control algae, bacteria, and bug problems. Operations personnel will continue to review and evaluate chemical additives in an effort to identify more environmentally acceptable alternatives.

**Table A-2. Checklist of BMPs for HAMMER Pond.**

	<b>Removed Substances</b>	Collected screenings, grit, solid, sludge, filter backwash, or other pollutants removed in the course of treatment or control of waste waters to the effluent stream for discharge should not be resuspended or reintroduced to the waste water stream per Permit condition requirement G.7.
	<b>Inspections</b>	Responsible personnel should inspect the surrounding areas for chemical spills during the training exercises.
	<b>Recycle/Reuse</b>	Water used during training exercises should be recycled back to the pond through the drain system.
✓	<b>POSTDISCHARGE BMPs</b>	
	<b>Documentation/Notification</b>	If a problem is observed during the inspections, personnel should notify the appropriate contractor environmental compliance organization.

**APPENDIX B**

**SIGNIFICANT DISCHARGE LOG FOR STATE WASTE DISCHARGE PERMIT  
ST 4508**

**Table B-1. Significant Discharge Log for State Waste Discharge Permit ST 4508<sup>5</sup>.**

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Date	Discharge type <sup>4</sup>	Discharge location	Source water <sup>1</sup>	Additives	Total volume discharged (gallons)	Flow rate <sup>2</sup> (gpm)	Soil loading Rate <sup>3</sup>	Responsible person	Comments

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gpm = gallons per minute.

ft<sup>2</sup> = square feet.

<sup>1</sup> Surface water or potable water. <sup>2</sup> Flow rate (gpm) =  $\frac{\text{Total discharge volume (gallons)}}{\text{Total time of discharge (minutes)}}$  <sup>3</sup> Soil loading rate (gpm/ft<sup>2</sup>) =  $\frac{\text{Flow rate (gpm)}}{\text{Surface area of discharge location (ft}^2\text{)}}$

<sup>4</sup> Refer to Sections 2.0 and 3.0 for Discharge Description <sup>5</sup> Refer to Section 9.5 for discussion of Discharge Tracking.

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