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Dear Messrs. Day and Nord:

**RADIOACTIVE MIXED WASTE STORAGE FACILITY DANGEROUS WASTE PERMIT APPLICATION  
(TSD: TS-2-4)**

This letter transmits the Radioactive Mixed Waste Storage Facility (RMWSF) Dangerous Waste Permit Application in accordance with the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, as amended, and the State of Washington Dangerous Waste Regulations. This transmittal fulfills the Hanford Federal Facility Agreement and Consent Order Milestone Number M-20-05. The environmental impacts of the RMWSF are addressed in the enclosed State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) Environmental Checklist.

Per your request, copies of the RMWSF Dangerous Waste Permit Application and SEPA Environmental Checklist have been distributed as follows: (1) five copies to Mr. T. M. Michelena of the State of Washington Department of Ecology (Ecology) (Lacey, Washington, office); (2) one copy to Mr. D. C. Nylander of Ecology (Kennewick, Washington, office); and (3) two copies to Mr. D. L. Duncan of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (Seattle, Washington, office).



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If you have any questions regarding the RMWSF Dangerous Waste Permit Application, please contact Mr. C. E. Clark of the DOE Field Office, Richland, on (509) 376-9333, or Ms. S. M. Price of the Westinghouse Hanford Company on (509) 376-1653.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures:

1. Radioactive Mixed Waste Storage Facility Dangerous Waste Permit Application
2. SEPA Checklist for the Radioactive Mixed Waste Storage Facility

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STATE ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT  
ENVIRONMENTAL CHECKLIST

FOR THE

HANFORD CENTRAL WASTE COMPLEX-  
RADIOACTIVE MIXED WASTE STORAGE FACILITY

REVISION 0

OCTOBER 31, 1991

WASHINGTON ADMINISTRATIVE CODE  
ENVIRONMENTAL CHECKLIST FORMS  
[WAC 197-11-960]

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SEPA ENVIRONMENTAL CHECKLIST

A. BACKGROUND

1. Name of proposed project:

Permitting of the Hanford Central Waste Complex-Radioactive Mixed Waste Storage Facility (RMW Storage Facility). Information contained in this *State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) of 1971* Environmental Checklist pertains only to the RMW Storage Facility. In the context of this document, 'site' refers to only the area covered by the physical structures of the storage buildings, whereas 'Site' refers to the Hanford Site.

2. Name of applicants:

The U.S. Department of Energy Field Office, Richland (RL); and Westinghouse Hanford Company.

3. Address and phone number of applicant and contact person:

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4. Date checklist prepared:

October 4, 1991

5. Agency requesting the checklist:

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6. Proposed timing or schedule (including phasing, if applicable):

The RMW Storage Facility is part of the Hanford Central Waste Complex. The RMW Storage Facility currently consists of one Plutonium/Polychlorinated Biphenyl Mixed Waste Storage Building (2401-W), eight Low-Flash-Point Mixed Waste Storage Modules, 12 Radioactive and/or Mixed Waste Storage Buildings (2402-W and 2402-WB through 2402-WL), one Mixed

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1 Waste Storage Pad, one Radioactive and/or Mixed Waste Storage Building  
2 [2403-WA (Phase I)], and one Waste Receiving and Staging Area.  
3 Additional phased construction of large pre-engineered metal buildings  
4 for the RMW Storage Facility will be constructed as additional storage  
5 space becomes necessary. Currently there are four planned phases of  
6 construction for the RMW Storage Facility (Phase II through V). The RMW  
7 Storage Facility provides the capacity to store radioactive and/or mixed  
8 waste for both onsite and offsite waste generated until 1996.  
9

- 10 7. Do you have any plans for future additions, expansion, or further  
11 activity related to or connected with this proposal? If yes, explain.  
12

13 Yes. The RMW Storage Facility is a planned series of waste storage  
14 structures that centralizes radioactive and/or mixed waste for storage.  
15 These operations are and will be conducted at a single location in the  
16 200 West Area. Further storage structures will be constructed when  
17 additional storage space becomes necessary. Also, the RMW Storage  
18 Facility will provide storage for the Waste Receiving and Processing  
19 Facility [*Waste Receiving and Processing Facility Dangerous Waste Permit*  
20 *Application* (DOE/RL-91-16)]. The Waste Receiving and Processing Facility  
21 will begin operations in 1996.  
22

- 23 8. List any environmental information you know about that has been  
24 prepared, or will be prepared, directly related to this proposal.  
25

- 26 • This SEPA Checklist is being submitted concurrently with the  
27 *Radioactive Mixed Waste Storage Facility Dangerous Waste Permit*  
28 *Application* (DOE-RL-91-17).  
29
- 30 • The Hanford Central Waste Complex Part A Permit Application contains  
31 the RMW Storage Facility. The Part A Permit Application for the  
32 Hanford Central Waste Complex was submitted to the Washington State  
33 Department of Ecology (Ecology) in May 1988. Revision 1 of the Part A  
34 Permit Application was submitted in October 1990.  
35
- 36 • The *Hanford Facility Dangerous Waste Permit Application* (DOE/RL-91-28)  
37 contains information pertaining to the entire Hanford Facility.  
38

39 Additional environmental information on the Hanford Site, in general, can  
40 be found in the following references: (1) *Final Environmental Impact*  
41 *Statement - Disposal of Hanford Defense High-Level, Transuranic and Tank*  
42 *Wastes*, DOE/EIS-0113 (U.S. Department of Energy, 1987, Richland,  
43 Washington), (2) *Hanford Site National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)*  
44 *Characterization*, PNL-6415 (Revision 2, Pacific Northwest Laboratory,  
45 1990, Richland, Washington), and (3) *Draft Environmental Impact Statement*  
46 *-Decommissioning of Eight Surplus Production Reactors at the Hanford*  
47 *Site, Richland, Washington*, DOE/EIS-0119D. (U.S. Department of Energy,  
48 1989, Washington, D.C.).  
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- 1 9. Do you know whether applications are pending for government approvals of  
2 other proposals directly affecting property covered by your proposal? If  
3 yes, explain.  
4

5 No other applications that would affect property associated with the  
6 RMW Storage Facility are known to be pending government approval.  
7

- 8 10. List any government approvals or permits that will be needed for your  
9 proposal, if known.  
10

11 Ecology is the lead agency authorized to approve the RMW Storage Facility  
12 Dangerous Waste Permit Application pursuant to the requirements of  
13 Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 173-303-400 and 40 Code of Federal  
14 Regulations (CFR) Part 265, Subpart G.  
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- 16 11. Give a brief, complete description of your proposal, including the  
17 proposed uses and the size of the project and site.  
18

19 The RMW Storage Facility provides the storage capacity for radioactive  
20 and/or mixed waste, including onsite and offsite waste generated from  
21 1990 through 1996. In 1996, the Waste Receiving and Processing Facility  
22 (separate dangerous waste permit application) will be available to remove  
23 radioactive and/or mixed waste from the RMW Storage Facility and examine,  
24 test, treat (if necessary), repackage, and certify the radioactive and/or  
25 mixed waste for final disposal. The present best estimate for the amount  
26 of radioactive and/or mixed waste potentially to be stored at the  
27 RMW Storage Facility is 88,136 55-gallon (208-liter) drum equivalents.  
28 Currently (as of October 31, 1991), the RMW Storage Facility has  
29 96,280 square feet (8,950 square meter) of storage area. Additional  
30 storage area will be constructed in the future as needed (Refer to  
31 Question 6 for discussion on phased construction for the RMW Storage  
32 Facility). The RMW Storage Facility resides on a 55 acre (222,570 square  
33 meters) site.  
34

- 35 12. Give the location of the proposal. Give sufficient information for a  
36 person to understand the precise location of the proposed project,  
37 including a street address, if any, and section, township, and range, if  
38 known. If a proposal would occur over a range of area, provide the range  
39 or boundaries of the site(s). Provide a legal description, site plan,  
40 vicinity map, and topographic map, if reasonably available.  
41

42 The RMW Storage Facility is located in the 200 West Area, west of Dayton  
43 Avenue and south of 23rd Street, approximately 25 miles (40.3 kilometers)  
44 north of the city of Richland, Washington. Maps and plans of the  
45 200 West Area and the RMW Storage Facility are contained in the  
46 *Radioactive Mixed Waste Storage Facility Dangerous Waste Permit*  
47 *Application* with which this SEPA Checklist is being submitted. The  
48 RMW Storage Facility is located in the SW 1/4, NW 1/4, Section 1, T12N,  
49 R25E.  
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1 B. ENVIRONMENTAL ELEMENTS

2  
3 1. Earth

- 4  
5 a. General description of the site (indicate one): Flat, rolling,  
6 hilly, steep, mountainous, other.

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8 Mainly flat with a few small sand dunes in the area.

- 9  
10 b. What is the steepest slope on the site (approximate percent slope)?

11  
12 The approximate slope of the land is less than two percent.

- 13  
14 c. What general types of soils are found on the site (for example, clay,  
15 sand, gravel, peat, muck)? If you know the classification of  
16 agricultural soils, specify them and note any prime farmland.

17  
18 The soil consists primarily of silty, sandy gravel.

- 19  
20 d. Are there surf/ace indications or history of unstable soils in the  
21 immediate vicinity? If so, describe.

22  
23 No.

- 24  
25 e. Describe the purpose, type, and approximate quantities of any filling  
26 or grading proposed. Indicate the source of the fill.

27  
28 Excavation will be required for any future construction. Excavated  
29 material will be stockpiled for use as backfill. This material also  
30 will be used, as required, for finish grading to blend with the  
31 existing flat topography and to provide drainage away from all  
32 buildings.

- 33  
34 f. Could erosion occur as a result of clearing, construction, or use?  
35 If so, generally describe.

36  
37 Minor erosion due to wind and/or precipitation occasionally could  
38 occur.

- 39  
40 g. Approximately what percent of the site will be covered with  
41 impervious surfaces after project construction (for example, asphalt  
42 or buildings)?

43  
44 Approximately 80 percent of the site will be covered with impervious  
45 surfaces. No changes are planned.

- 46  
47 h. Proposed measures to reduce or control erosion, or other impacts to  
48 the earth, if any?

49  
50 To control the amount of dust generated by future construction  
51 activities, water trucks will be available to periodically spray the

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1 affected area. Paved access roadways and graveled parking areas are  
2 provided to minimize erosion due to vehicular traffic.

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4 2. Air

- 5  
6 a. What types of emissions to the air would result from the proposal  
7 (i.e., dust, automobile, odors, industrial wood smoke) during  
8 construction and when the project is completed? If any, generally  
9 describe and give approximate quantities if known.

10  
11 Minor amounts of vehicular exhaust are generated by equipment and  
12 vehicles used by building personnel to gain access to the site.  
13 Minor amounts of particulates (e.g., dust) are expected because these  
14 are conditions experienced on current exposed excavation sites. Some  
15 dust will be generated during construction phases.

- 16  
17 b. Are there any off-site sources of emissions or odors that may affect  
18 your proposal? If so, generally describe.

19  
20 No.

- 21  
22 c. Proposed measures to reduce or control emissions or other impacts to  
23 the air, if any?

24  
25 Ventilation in the form of wall fans are installed to provide at  
26 least three air changes per hour. In addition, some storage  
27 buildings will have a negative-pressure exhaust system with  
28 high-efficiency particulate air (HEPA) filters, which will provide  
29 ventilation for four changes per hour. Operational ambient air  
30 sampling will be provided to serve as an evaluation tool for  
31 containment adequacy and as low as reasonably achievable (ALARA)  
32 exposure radiation controls relative to inhalation exposure.

33  
34 3. Water

- 35  
36 a. Surface:

- 37  
38 1) Is there any surface water body on or in the immediate vicinity  
39 of the site (including year-round and seasonal streams,  
40 saltwater, lakes, ponds, wetlands)? If yes, describe type and  
41 provide names. If appropriate, state what stream or river it  
42 flows into.

43  
44 No.

- 45  
46 2) Will the project require any work over, in, or adjacent to  
47 (within 200 feet of) the described waters? If yes, please  
48 describe and attach available plans.

49  
50 Does not apply.  
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1 3) Estimate the amount of fill and dredge material that would be  
2 placed in or removed from surface water or wetlands and indicate  
3 the area of the site that would be affected. Indicate the source  
4 of fill material.

5  
6 None.

7  
8 4) Will the proposal require surface water withdrawals or  
9 diversions? Give general description, purpose, and approximate  
10 quantities if known.

11  
12 No.

13  
14 5) Does the proposal lie within a 100-year floodplain? If so, note  
15 location on the site plan.

16  
17 No.

18  
19 6) Does the proposal involve any discharges of waste materials to  
20 surface waters? If so, describe the type of waste and  
21 anticipated volume of discharge.

22  
23 No.

24  
25 b. Ground:

26  
27 1) Will ground water be withdrawn, or will water be discharged to  
28 ground water? Give general description, purpose, and approximate  
29 quantities, if known.

30  
31 No.

32  
33 2) Describe waste materials that will be discharged into the ground  
34 from septic waste tanks or other sources, if any (for example:  
35 domestic sewage; industrial, containing the following  
36 chemicals...; agricultural; etc.). Describe the general size of  
37 the system, the number of such systems, the number of houses to  
38 be served (if applicable), or the number of animals or humans the  
39 system(s) are expected to serve.

40  
41 None

42  
43 c. Water Runoff (including storm water):

44  
45 1) Describe the source of runoff (including storm water) and method  
46 of collection and disposal, if any (include quantities, if  
47 known). Where will this water flow? Will this water flow into  
48 other waters? If so, describe.

49  
50 Some of the storage buildings were constructed (or will be  
51 constructed) with a sloped floor towards a trench with a sump;

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1 c. List threatened or endangered species known to be on or near the  
2 site.

3  
4 None. However, additional information concerning endangered and  
5 threatened plants on the Hanford Facility can be found in the  
6 environmental documents referred to in the answer to Checklist  
7 Question A.8.

8  
9 d. Proposed landscaping, use of native plants, or other measures to  
10 preserve or enhance vegetation on the site, if any:

11 None.

12  
13  
14 **5. Animals**

15  
16 a. Indicate (by underlining) any birds and animals which have been  
17 observed on or near the site or are known to be on or near the site:

18  
19 birds: hawk, heron, eagle, songbirds, other  
20 mammals: deer, bear, elk, beaver, other  
21 fish: bass, salmon, trout, herring, shellfish, other

22  
23 A variety of insects, birds, and mammals common to the Hanford Site,  
24 including pigeons, passerine birds, rodents, and lagomorphs have been  
25 observed at the RMW Storage Facility site. Larger mammals commonly  
26 seen in the vicinity include deer and coyote. Additional information  
27 on birds and animals on the Hanford Facility can be found in the  
28 environmental documents referred to in the answer to Checklist  
29 Question A.8.

30  
31 b. List any threatened or endangered species known to be on or near the  
32 site.

33  
34 None. However, additional information concerning endangered and  
35 threatened species on the Hanford Facility can be found in the  
36 environmental documents referred to in the answer to Checklist  
37 Question A.8.

38  
39 c. Is the site part of a migration route? If so, explain.

40 No.

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42  
43 d. Proposed measures to preserve or enhance wildlife, if any:

44 None.

45  
46  
47 **6. Energy and Natural Resources**

48  
49 a. What kinds of energy (electric, natural gas, oil, wood stove, solar)  
50 will be used to meet the completed project's energy needs? Describe  
51 whether it will be used for heating, manufacturing, etc.

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1 Diesel fuel, gasoline, oil, and electrical power are used to operate  
2 construction and operation equipment. Storage building ventilation  
3 and lighting systems are powered electrically.  
4

- 5 b. Would your project affect the potential use of solar energy by  
6 adjacent properties? If so, generally describe.  
7

8 No.  
9

- 10 c. What kinds of energy conservation features are included in the plans  
11 of this proposal? List other proposed measures to reduce or control  
12 energy impacts, if any:  
13

14 None.  
15

16 7. Environmental Health  
17

- 18 a. Are there any environmental health hazards, including exposure to  
19 toxic chemicals, risk of fire and explosion, spill, or hazardous  
20 waste, that could occur as a result of this proposal? If so,  
21 describe.  
22

23 Possible environmental health hazards from the RMW Storage Facility  
24 could result from combustible constituents, accidental liquid spills,  
25 radiation exposure, and a criticality incident.  
26

- 27 1) Describe special emergency services that might be required.  
28

29 Hanford Facility security, fire response, and ambulance services  
30 are on call 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, in the event of an  
31 onsite emergency.  
32

- 33 2) Proposed measures to reduce or control environmental health  
34 hazards, if any:  
35

36 Onsite generating units and offsite generators must neutralize  
37 and/or treat their radioactive and/or mixed waste to ensure, to  
38 the extent practicable, that no incompatible combination of  
39 substances exist. This improves safety and, because of the large  
40 volume of waste requiring storage, prevents a large buildup of a  
41 substance that could be a potential threat to human health or the  
42 environment if accidentally mixed with an incompatible substance.  
43

44 Some drums contain combustible constituents, plus the pallets  
45 used for stacking the drums are combustible (wood). Therefore,  
46 an automatic dry-pipe sprinkler system designed in accordance  
47 with National Fire Protection Association Codes has been  
48 installed. The source of water for the fire protection system is  
49 from a water main located near the 272-AW Building. The  
50 272-AW Building is located south of the RMW Storage Facility [a  
51 distance of 200 feet (61 meters) to the closest storage building

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1 (Plutonium/Polychlorinated Biphenyl Waste Storage Building)  
2 (2401-W)].  
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4 Another potential hazard is the inability to contain accidental  
5 liquid spills. To address this situation, the RMW Storage  
6 Facility complies with WAC 173-303 requirements for a containment  
7 system large enough to contain 10 percent of the free liquid or  
8 the largest container, whichever is greater in volume in storage.  
9 Free liquid is stored in 1 to 3 leak resistant containers having  
10 a capacity of not more than 5 gallons (18.95 liters); each  
11 container must be over packed in a 55-gallon (208-liter) drum  
12 with a suitable absorbent material capable of absorbing two times  
13 the amount of liquid.  
14

15 It is also a regulatory requirement that all dry or liquid waste  
16 be protected from the elements by a protective cover. Therefore,  
17 enclosed storage buildings for both types (dry or liquid) of  
18 waste are provided to meet this requirement.  
19

20 b. Noise

- 21  
22 1) What types of noise exist in the area which may affect your  
23 project (for example: traffic, equipment, operation, other)?  
24

25 None.  
26

- 27 2) What types and levels of noise would be created by or associated  
28 with the project on a short-term or a long-term basis (for  
29 example: traffic, construction, operation, other)? Indicate  
30 what hours noise would come from the site.  
31

32 The daily operation of the RMW Storage Facility does not result  
33 in excessive noise levels. Maintenance activities could result  
34 in increased noise levels, depending on the nature of the  
35 activity. However, the noise level would be higher only during  
36 the maintenance activity. The RMW Storage Facility is  
37 sufficiently removed from residential and offsite industrial  
38 areas to preclude excessive noise impacts. During future  
39 construction phases, the primary sources of noise will be from  
40 heavy equipment.  
41

- 42 3) Proposed measures to reduce or control noise impacts, if any:  
43

44 Operational equipment meets manufacturer's requirements for noise  
45 suppression. During future construction phases, excavation and  
46 construction equipment will meet manufacturer's requirements for  
47 noise suppression.  
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1 8. Land and Shoreline use  
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- 3 a. What is the current use of the site and adjacent properties?  
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5 The RMW Storage Facility is part of the U.S. Government-owned Hanford  
6 Site and is used for the storage of radioactive and/or mixed waste.  
7 The mission of the Hanford Site is now focused on environmental  
8 remediation and restoration.  
9

10 Outside the Hanford Site are privately owned farms and the urban and  
11 suburban areas of the city of Richland and West Richland.  
12

- 13 b. Has the site been used for agriculture? If so, describe.  
14

15 No portion of the Hanford Site, including the site of the RMW Storage  
16 Facility, has been used for agricultural purposes since 1943.  
17

- 18 c. Describe any structures on the site.  
19

20 Paved roads exist at the northern, southern, and eastern perimeters  
21 of the RMW Storage Facility site. No other structures presently  
22 exist on the site.  
23

- 24 d. Will any structures be demolished? If so, what?  
25

26 No.  
27

- 28 e. What is the current zoning classification of the site?  
29

30 The Hanford Site is zoned by Benton County as an unclassified use (U)  
31 district.  
32

- 33 f. What is the current comprehensive plan designation of the site?  
34

35 The 1985 Benton County Comprehensive Land Use Plan designates the  
36 Hanford Site as the "Hanford Reservation". Under this designation,  
37 land on the Hanford Site can be used for "activities nuclear in  
38 nature." Nonnuclear activities are authorized "if and when the DOE  
39 approval for such activities is obtained."  
40

- 41 g. If applicable, what is the current shoreline master program  
42 designation of the site?  
43

44 Does not apply.  
45

- 46 h. Has any part of the site been classified as an "environmentally  
47 sensitive" area? If so, specify.  
48

49 No.  
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1 i. Approximately how many people would reside or work in the completed  
2 project?  
3

4 No people reside in the RMW Storage Facility. The structure is  
5 designed for storage purposes only. The number of employees working  
6 in the RMW Storage Facility can fluctuate daily depending upon  
7 operations.  
8

9 j. Approximately how many people would the completed project displace?  
10

11 None.  
12

13 k. Proposed measures to avoid or reduce displacement impacts, if any:  
14

15 Does not apply.  
16

17 l. Proposed measures to ensure the proposal is compatible with existing  
18 and projected land uses and plans, if any:  
19

20 Does not apply. (Refer to Checklist Question B.8.f.)  
21

22 9. Housing  
23

24 a. Approximately how many units would be provided, if any? Indicate  
25 whether high-, middle-, or low-income housing.  
26

27 None.  
28

29 b. Approximately how many units, if any, would be eliminated? Indicate  
30 whether high-, middle-, or low-income housing.  
31

32 None.  
33

34 c. Proposed measures to reduce or control housing impacts, if any:  
35

36 Does not apply.  
37

38 10. Aesthetics  
39

40 a. What is the tallest height of any proposed structure(s), not  
41 including antennas; what is the principal exterior building  
42 material(s) proposed?  
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44 Because of the phased construction, the tallest height of the  
45 RMW Storage Facility will depend on the number of storage structures  
46 constructed. Thus, the maximum height of the proposed structures  
47 will not be known until 1996. Currently, all of the storage  
48 buildings [except the eight Low-Flash-Point Mixed Waste Storage  
49 Modules, which have an eave height of 8 feet 7 inches (2.62 meters)]  
50 have an eave height of 20 feet (6.1 meters). The RMW Storage

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1 Facility is (and future additions will be) constructed of concrete  
2 and metal.

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4 b. What views in the immediate vicinity would be altered or obstructed?

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6 None.

7  
8 c. Proposed measures to reduce or control aesthetic impacts, if any:

9  
10 None.

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12 **11. Light and Glare**

13  
14 a. What type of light or glare will the proposal produce? What time of  
15 day would it mainly occur?

16  
17 None.

18  
19 b. Could light or glare from the finished project be a safety hazard or  
20 interfere with views?

21  
22 No.

23  
24 c. What existing off-site sources of light or glare may affect your  
25 proposal?

26  
27 None.

28  
29 d. Proposed measures to reduce or control light and glare impacts, if  
30 any:

31  
32 Does not apply.

33  
34 **12. Recreation**

35  
36 a. What designated and informal recreational opportunities are in the  
37 immediate vicinity?

38  
39 None.

40  
41 b. Would the proposed project displace any existing recreational uses?  
42 If so, describe.

43  
44 Does not apply.

45  
46 c. Proposed measures to reduce or control impacts on recreation,  
47 including recreation opportunities to be provided by the project or  
48 applicant, if any?

49  
50 Does not apply.  
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1 13. Historic and Cultural Preservation  
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- 3 a. Are there any places or objects listed on, or proposed for, national,  
4 state, or local preservation registers known to be on or next to the  
5 site? If so, generally describe.  
6

7 No places or objects listed on, or proposed for, national, state, or  
8 local preservation registers are known to be on or next to the  
9 RMW Storage Facility. Additional information on the Hanford Site  
10 environment can be found in the environmental documents referred to  
11 in the answer to Checklist Question A.8.  
12

- 13 b. Generally describe any landmarks or evidence of historic,  
14 archaeological, scientific, or cultural importance known to be on or  
15 next to the site.  
16

17 There are no known archaeological, historical, or native American  
18 religious sites at or next to the RMW Storage Facility. Additional  
19 information on the Hanford Site environment can be found in the  
20 environmental documents referred to in the answer to Checklist  
21 Question A.8.  
22

23 NOTE: The DOE-RL recently resubmitted a Request For Determination of  
24 Eligibility for the White Bluffs Road with the State Historic  
25 Preservation Office. If the road is found eligible, it might be  
26 necessary to determine if the RMW Storage Facility will have an  
27 effect on the historic property. Because the RMW Storage Facility  
28 site is some distance [16 miles (25.7 kilometers)] from the White  
29 Bluffs Road, it is not likely to impact the area to be preserved.  
30

- 31 c. Proposed measures to reduce or control impacts, if any:  
32

33 Where appropriate, a cultural resource review will provide the  
34 vehicle for necessary approvals required under the *National Historic*  
35 *Preservation Act of 1966*.  
36

37 14. Transportation  
38

- 39 a. Identify public streets and highways serving the site, and describe  
40 proposed access to the existing street system. Show on site plans,  
41 if any.  
42

43 Does not apply.  
44

- 45 b. Is site currently served by public transit? If not, what is the  
46 approximate distance to the nearest transit stop?  
47

48 The site is not publicly accessible, and, therefore, is not served by  
49 public transportation.  
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- 1 c. How many parking spaces would the completed project have? How many  
2 would the project eliminate?  
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4 A paved parking lot roughly 100 feet by 100 feet (31 meters by  
5 31 meters) with at least 25 spaces for automobile, motorcycle, and  
6 handicapped parking is provided for RMW Storage Facility personnel.  
7

- 8 d. Will the proposal require any new roads or streets, or improvements  
9 to existing roads or streets, not including driveways? If so,  
10 generally describe (indicate whether public or private).  
11

12 Some paved access roads are already in existence at the northern,  
13 southern, and eastern perimeters of the RMW Storage Facility.  
14 Additional paving will be required for access to future constructed  
15 individual storage buildings. The roads are not publicly accessible.  
16

- 17 e. Will the project use (or occur in the immediate vicinity of) water,  
18 rail, or air transportation? If so, generally describe.  
19

20 No.  
21

- 22 f. How many vehicular trips per day would be generated by the completed  
23 project? If known, indicate when peak volumes would occur.  
24

25 Peak traffic volumes occur at the beginning and end of regular 8-hour  
26 working shifts. Many employees use the Hanford Site shuttle bus  
27 system that transports employees from northern Richland to the  
28 RMW Storage Facility.  
29

- 30 g. Proposed measures to reduce or control transportation impacts, if  
31 any:  
32

33 Proper codes, standards, regulations, and accepted safety practices  
34 are followed when transporting waste to mitigate human exposure.  
35

36 **15. Public Services**  
37

- 38 a. Would the project result in an increased need for public services  
39 (for example: fire protection, police protection, health care,  
40 schools, other)? If so, generally describe.  
41

42 No.  
43

- 44 b. Proposed measures to reduce or control direct impacts on public  
45 services, if any:  
46

47 Does not apply.  
48

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1 16. Utilities  
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- 3 a. List utilities currently available at the site (electricity, natural  
4 gas, water, refuse service, telephone, sanitary sewer, septic system,  
5 other):  
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7 Electricity, sanitary water, refuse service, telephone, and sanitary  
8 sewer.  
9

- 10 b. Describe the utilities that are proposed for the project, the utility  
11 providing the service, and the general construction activities on the  
12 site or in the immediate vicinity which might be needed.  
13

14 Electricity, sanitary water, and telephone service are provided. New  
15 pipelines extending from existing water mains and transfer pipes  
16 provide sanitary water to the RMW Storage Facility.  
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3 The above answers are true and complete to the best of my knowledge.  
4 I understand that the lead agency is relying on them to make its  
5 decision.  
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