



AGREEMENT IN PRINCIPLE FOR THE NEGOTIATION OF HANFORD FEDERAL FACILITY AGREEMENT AND CONSENT ORDER (HFFACO) MILESTONE M-091 SERIES

On December 28, 2017, the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) and the State of Washington Department of Ecology (Ecology) agreed on non-enforceable target dates to:

- Remove 132 containers from outside storage areas at the Hanford Central Waste Complex.
- Submit a work plan to resume retrieval of Retrievably Stored Waste from Hanford Low-Level Burial Grounds.
- Submit a Conceptual Design Report package for the Facility/Capability for Remote Handled waste containers, and a TPA change request establishing a submittal date for the Preliminary Design Report package.

HFFACO milestone M-091-53, due September 30, 2018, requires DOE and Ecology to replace those target dates with enforceable milestones. DOE and Ecology agree there is a need to enter into formal negotiations for M-091-53 and also to establish revisions to the HFFACO Appendix D milestone M-091 series.

Under this Agreement in Principle, DOE and Ecology agree to begin negotiations by March 19, 2018, and plan to conclude negotiations with a signed Tentative Agreement by June 1, 2018.

DOE and Ecology will cooperate in providing periodic briefings to the State of Oregon, affected Tribes, the Hanford Advisory Board and other stakeholders as necessary.

DOE and Ecology agree that following successful conclusion of the negotiations that are documented in a signed Tentative Agreement, they will perform an appropriate 45-day public comment period in accordance with the Public Involvement Plan. The milestones will be finalized following the public comment period.

The signatures below represent the acceptance of DOE and Ecology on these subject HFFACO negotiations.

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