



## **EXTENSION TO THE AGREEMENT IN PRINCIPLE (AIP) FOR THE NEGOTIATION OF HANFORD FEDERAL FACILITY AGREEMENT AND CONSENT ORDER (HFFACO) REVISIONS FOR NEAR-TERM MILESTONES FOR CENTRAL PLATEAU OPERABLE UNITS**

This extension is to the Agreement in Principle (AIP), originally signed on September 16, 2021 to enter formal negotiations and establish revisions to HFFACO Appendix D for *Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act* (CERCLA) Central Plateau Operable Units (OU) near-term milestones.

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology), and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), hereinafter referred to as the Parties, agreed to conclude negotiations on March 31, 2022. The Parties are now in agreement that it is prudent to extend the completion of these negotiations until April 30, 2022.

The negotiations under this AIP address near-term milestones that have deadlines in the time frame FY 2022-2024. This time frame is anticipated to encompass the development of the Plateau Risk Elimination Program (PREP) toolset to assist in prioritization of the remainder of the work scope that may be subject to future milestones. Near-term milestone negotiations may include some milestones with deadlines beyond FY 2024 that the Parties agree are of high importance.

Under the scope of this AIP, the Parties have identified the following list of candidate work areas to begin discussions for near-term milestones. The Parties will consider these work areas to identify potential milestones with completion dates for specific activities in support of Central Plateau cleanup:

- CERCLA Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (RI/FS) process documentation (e.g., work plans, RI/FS reports, proposed plans) for Central Plateau OUs, such as 200-IA-1, 200-EA-1, 200-WA-1, 200-BC-1, 200-OA-1, and 200-IS-1
- Characterization field work/remedial investigation of selected Central Plateau waste sites in accordance with approved RI/FS work plans
- Laboratory testing supporting investigation of 200-DV-1 OU remedial technologies
- Remediation of selected Central Plateau waste sites in accordance with approved non-time critical removal actions, corrective action decisions, or records of decision
- Completion of Deactivation, Decommissioning, Decontamination, and Demolition (D4) process steps (e.g., characterization, demo-ready, demolition, etc.) for selected inactive structures on the Central Plateau
- Other activities supporting Central Plateau investigation and cleanup as agreed by the negotiating team

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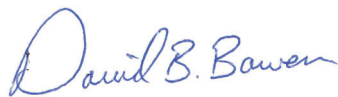
The Parties anticipate that successful conclusion of the negotiations under this AIP will be documented in a signed Tentative Agreement and they will perform an appropriate public comment period in accordance with the Public Involvement Plan for milestones subject to such a Tentative Agreement. Following consideration of public comments, the Parties will determine the appropriate path forward which may include approving the milestones, continuing negotiations, or further public involvement.

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

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Administrative Record (200-IA-1, 200-EA-1, 200-WA-1, 200-BC-1, 200-OA-1, and 200-IS-1 OUs)  
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