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Please accept the following comments on the REVISED DRAFT HANFORD REMEDIAL ACTION ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT AND COMPREHENSIVE LAND USE PLAN (DOE/EIS-0222D)

1. The EIS reflects extensive evaluation and comparison of alternatives. The Preferred Alternative seems reasonable as the initial baseline concept.

2. It seems that the economic development mission has received less advocacy than other missions. The community impact of a loss of recent Hanford funding levels would be immense, if not off-set by successful developments; this needs to be considered.

3. In my judgment the policies and processes discussed in Section 6.0 are crucial to successful implementation of the CLUP. The stated policy accomplishments are well-taken. I believe there are additional principles that should have the weight of policy, including:

A. Ensure that the societal VALUE of the Benefits of Hanford land use actions exceed the societal Costs. [The valuation of societal Benefits and Costs must consider all significant effects and impacts, not limited to economic, that are pertinent to the interests and well-being of the affected population; and must reflect the collective wisdom of the general population, as evidenced in law, culture, and common practice].

B. Accept activities that will fulfill a needed service to the nation; when such activities reflect and are consistent with Hanford's legacies of its historic activities, available space, sophisticated facilities, technical expertise, and close ties to the community.

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