Inter-Agency Management Integration Team Meeting Minutes

July 16, 2026

Tri-Party Agreement

U.S. Department of Energy
Washington State Department of Ecology
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

SIGNATURES:

In accordance with the Tri-Party Agreement Section 4.2, Interagency Management Integration Team, any agreements and commitments resulting from the meeting will be prepared and signed by all parties as soon as possible after the meeting. The undersigned indicate by their signatures that these meeting minutes reflect the actual discussion during this meeting. Signatures denote concurrence with the agreements and commitments resulting from this meeting and do not imply agreement with statements made during this meeting. Attachments to these meeting minutes are provided for informational purposes only.

Approval: SCOTT GREEN Digitally signed by SCOTT GREEN Date: 2026.07.27 14:37:55 -07'00' Date:_____

S. M. Green, HFO IAMIT Representative

Approval: N/A (not in attendance) Date:_____

R.M. Irwin, HFO IAMIT Representative

Approval: Caldwell, Cole J Digitally signed by Caldwell, Cole J Date: 2026.07.29 07:20:32 -07'00' Date:_____

S.N. Schleif, Ecology IAMIT Representative

Approval: Digitally signed by LAURA BUELOW Date: 2026.07.29 09:40:05 -07'00' Date:_____

L.C. Buelow, EPA IAMIT Representative

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1.0 WELCOME AND LOGISTICS/FORMAT

The Inter-Agency Management Integration Team (IAMIT) meetings are normally held monthly between the U.S. Department of Energy, Hanford Field Office (HFO), Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology), and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA); herein referred to as the Parties.

This meeting was held remotely, using the Microsoft Office Teams software.

For this meeting, Cole Calwell represented Stephanie Schleif as Ecology's IAMIT Representative, Jason Capron represented Scott Green for HFO-River Corridor/Central Plateau, Roberto Armijo represented Laura Buelow for EPA and Mat Irwin, HFO, Tank Waste Operations/Waste Treatment Plant was not present.

The agenda for this meeting is provided in Attachment 1.

2.0 REVIEW IAMIT ACTION TRACKING TABLE

2.1 Action Items (see Attachment 2)

2.1.1 M-037 Issue Team Recommendation to IAMIT for Updating Coordinated Closure Planning under the M-037 Milestone Series

At the December 18, 2025 IAMIT meeting, HFO spoke on behalf of the M-015/M-016/M-085 negotiation team to recommend the formation of a M-037 issue team consisting of HFO, Ecology and EPA, tasked with coming to a collective recommendation for IAMIT consideration for updating coordinated closure planning under the M-037 milestone series. The M-037 milestone series describes RCRA closure planning for treatment, storage, and disposal units in coordination with CERCLA decision-making steps based on operable unit assignment groupings. The M-037 milestones also define specific due dates based on permit coordination needs. Therefore, RCRA compliance schedules may affect broader operable unit planning and sequencing. The Parties recognize the need for an administrative update directly following proposed changes to the M-015 milestones, but the IAMIT needs to more broadly consider approaches that maintain the coordinated closure approach, recognize real constraints for RCRA compliance planning, and allow for optimal planning of CERCLA decision-making in the adaptive milestone framework under the proposed M-100 milestone series. The IAMIT agreed to form the M-037 Issue Team and the Parties also agreed to identify their team members by the January 15, 2026 IAMIT meeting. During this meeting, the following team members were identified:

- Jason Capron, HFO
- Anne McCartney, EPA
- Michelle Mullin, EPA

Ecology requested additional time to identify their participants on the team. The Parties agreed to hold a kick-off meeting in late January 2026 or early February 2026 and make a recommendation to the IAMIT in August 2026.

At the January 15, 2026 IAMIT meeting, Ecology identified Cole Caldwell as a member of the M-037 Issue Team. There were no other updates provided and this action will continue to be tracked as an IAMIT action in the interim until completed.

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At the February 19, 2026 IAMIT meeting, Ecology provided an update to report that an internal team has been formed to discuss the scope of the M-037 Issue Team's objectives, and based on those discussions, Ecology is looking at how to allocate resources appropriately. Ecology added that the RCRA Hanford Site Permit Revision 9A work is a high priority and as such, staff time to work on the M-037 may be limited. EPA added that its RCRA Division is short-staffed and presents the same resource allocation issues. Because of this resource challenge, EPA did not feel meeting the August 2026 deadline for providing a recommendation to the IAMIT was realistic. HFO noted it was aware of the challenges and suggested the team meet in early Spring 2026 to reestablish a realistic timeline for providing its recommendations to the IAMIT.

At the March 19, 2026 IAMIT meeting, HFO stated that the Parties are waiting for the release of the Final Approval Package for Negotiation of TPA Revisions for the M-015, M-016, and M-085 Milestones and resolution of associated TPA milestones held In Abeyance via IAMIT Determinations #2021-002 and #2026-001 before moving forward with the M-037 Team activities. HFO suggested that the Parties could possibly meet sometime before the next IAMIT Meeting on April 16, 2026.

At the April 16, 2026 IAMIT meeting, HFO reported that the M-037 Team is still awaiting the release of the Final Approval Package for Negotiation of TPA Revisions for the M-015, M-016, and M-085 Milestones, which is expected in the near future. In the interim, the M-037 team has a meeting scheduled for April 21, 2026 to discuss the scope of the team's objectives.

At the May 21, 2026 IAMIT meeting, HFO reported that the M-037 Team will likely brief the IAMIT on its recommendations for coordinated closure planning under the M-037 milestone series in October or November 2026, as the team and agency resources will primarily be devoted to the release of the draft Hanford Site RCRA Revision 9A Permit and other work priorities during coming months.

At the July 16, 2026, IAMIT meeting, HFO reported that the M-037 Team would likely not meet until September 2026. At that time, HFO expects the M-037 Team to produce a regular schedule of recurring meetings on the subject, beginning no later than January 2027. EPA and Ecology concurred with HFO.

2.2 Status Updates

There were no status updates for this meeting.

2.3 Recently Closed/Other Agreements

There were no recently closed or other agreements for this meeting.

3.0 TOPICS PROPOSED OR PRESENTED TO THE IAMIT

The Parties discussed the following topics during this meeting:

3.1 Status of Current IAMIT Determinations

There are no current IAMIT Determinations.

3.3 New Topics for Upcoming IAMIT Meetings

HMIS asked the Parties if there were any items the IAMIT would like to include on upcoming IAMIT meeting agendas. No new topics were introduced.

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4.0 REVIEW OF TODAY'S ACTIONS/UPCOMING IAMIT MEETING

There were no actions captured during this meeting.

No.	IAMIT Topic	Action from 07/16/26 IAMIT Meeting
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The next IAMIT meeting is scheduled for August 20, 2026.

List of Attendees

Armijo, Roberto	EPA
Brasher, Stephanie	HMIS
Caldwell, Cole	Ecology
Capron, Jason	HFO
Carr, Sean	HFO
Eddie Holbrook	Ecology
Jeff Loa	Ecology
Lopez, Maria	H2C
McCartney, Anne	EPA
O'Mara, Laura	CPCCo
Rochette, Beth	Ecology
Katie Roberts	H2C
Turner, Michael	HMIS

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ATTACHMENT 1 – Agenda

Tri-Party Agreement
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Inter-Agency Management Integration Team (IAMIT) Meeting
Thursday, July 16, 2026
8:30 – 8:50 a.m.
*Meeting held via Teams video/teleconference
Agenda

1	8:30 – 8:35 a.m.	Michael Turner, HMIS	• **Welcome/Meeting Logistics and Format** • **Review IAMIT Action Tracking Table** • **Review of Current TPA IAMIT Determinations (None)**
2	8:35 – 8:45 a.m.	IAMIT Members	**New Topics for Upcoming IAMIT Meetings**
3	8:45 – 8:50 a.m.	Michael Turner, HMIS	**Review of New Actions from Today's Meeting**
4	8:50 a.m.	**Adjourn**	

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ATTACHMENT 2 – Action Tracking Table

TABLE I. ACTION ITEMS

1. **M-037 Issue Team Recommendation to IAMIT for Updating Coordinated Closure Planning under the M-037 Milestone Series**

Reference:	Tentative Agreement for the M-015, M-016, M-085 milestone series
Affected Milestones:	M-037 milestone series
Originated:	12/18/25
Status:	Open
Dispute Extended:	N/A
Action:	Make collective recommendation for IAMIT consideration for updating coordinated closure planning under the M-037 milestone series in August 2026.

Comments: At the 12/18/25 IAMIT meeting, DOE spoke on behalf of the M-015, M-016, and M-085 negotiation team to recommend the formation of an M-037 issue team consisting of DOE, Ecology, and EPA, tasked with coming to a collective recommendation for IAMIT consideration for updating coordinated closure planning under the M-037 milestone series. The M-037 milestone series describes RCRA closure planning for treatment, storage, and disposal units in coordination with CERCLA decision-making steps based on operable unit assignment groupings. The M-037 milestones also define specific due dates based on permit coordination needs. Therefore, RCRA compliance schedules may affect broader operable unit planning and sequencing. The Parties recognize the need for an administrative update directly following proposed changes to the M-015 milestones, but the IAMIT needs to more broadly consider approaches that maintain the coordinated closure approach, recognize real constraints for RCRA compliance planning, and allow for optimal planning of CERCLA decision-making in the adaptive milestone framework under the proposed M-100 milestone series. The IAMIT agreed to form the M-037 Issue Team and the Parties also agreed to identify their team members by the January 15, 2026 IAMIT meeting. During this meeting, the following team members were identified:

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At the 1/15/26 IAMIT meeting, Ecology identified Cole Caldwell as a member of the M-037 Issue Team.

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At the 2/19/26 IAMIT meeting, Ecology reported looking at how to allocate resources appropriately, with the RCRA Hanford Site Permit Revision 9A work being a high priority. Ecology asked for a scoping meeting to be established so that Ecology staff time and effort can be focused and planned on this effort. EPA added that its RCRA Division is short-staffed and presents the same resource allocation issues. Because of this resource challenge, EPA did not feel meeting the August 2026 deadline for providing a recommendation to the IAMIT was realistic. HFO noted it was aware of the challenges and suggested the team meet in early Spring 2026 to reestablish a realistic timeline for providing its recommendations to the IAMIT.

At the 3/19/26 IAMIT meeting, HFO stated that the Parties are waiting for the release of the Final Approval Package for the negotiation of TPA revisions for the M-015, M-016, and M-085 Milestone series and resolution of associated TPA milestones held In Abeyance via IAMIT Determinations 2021-002 and 2026-001 before moving forward with the M-037 Team activities. HFO suggested that the Parties could possibly meet sometime before the next IAMIT Meeting on April 16, 2026.

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At the May 21, 2026 IAMIT meeting, HFO reported that the M-037 Team will likely brief the IAMIT on its recommendations for coordinated closure planning under the M-037 milestone series in October or November 2026, as the team and agency resources will primarily be devoted to the release of the draft Hanford Site RCRA Revision 9A Permit and other work priorities during coming months.

TABLE II. STATUS UPDATES

1. N/A

TABLE III. RECENTLY CLOSED/OTHER AGREEMENTS[1]

1. None

[1] *New information shown in blue.