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**This message is from the Tri-Party Agreement Agencies**

**Explanation of Significant Differences to the 100 Area Record of Decision**

The Tri-Party Agreement agencies are seeking public comment on the 118-B-1 Explanation of Significant Differences (ESD) to the 100 Area Burial Ground in the River Corridor Record of Decision. The ESD allows for changes to an approved remedy that does not fundamentally alter the overall cleanup approach.

The Tri-Party Agencies will seek comments on the 118-B-1 Burial Ground ESD to the 100 Area Burial Ground Record of Decision (ROD). This ROD addresses solid wastes and contaminated soils associated with burial grounds and waste sites in Hanford's 100 Area. The ESD addresses changes involving the 118-B-1 Burial Ground, which is one of 45 cleanup sites identified in the ROD.

Due to residual tritium soil contamination remaining near the bottom of the 118-B-1 Burial Ground in discrete areas following remediation activities, the Tri-Parties agreed to invoke the balancing factor analysis to determine the extent of additional excavation at a depth greater than 15 feet (4.6 meters) through preparation of the ESD.

The purpose of this message is to provide advanced notice of a public comment period expected to run from late-August to late-September, 2007. Following a 30-day public comment period, the Tri-Parties will consider public comment before issuing the final ESD.

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