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PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD EXTENDED ON PROPOSED PLAN FOR MOTOR POOL POND SEDIMENTS AT INEL

The Department of Energy, state of Idaho, and Environmental Protection Agency have extended until Sept. 8 the public comment period on the proposed plan for the Motor Pool Pond at the Central Facilities Area.

The proposed plan, released to the public June 26, considers the risks associated with exposure to contaminants in the pond sediments. The agencies are recommending no remedial action for the pond based on the risk assessment finding that contaminants of concern in the pond sediments pose no unacceptable risk to human health or the environment.

Originally, the comment period on the Motor Pool Pond was to have closed Aug. 5. Oral comments on the project were recorded at public meetings held July 20, 21, 22, and 23 in Idaho Falls, Burley, Boise, and Moscow, respectively.

The 30-day comment period extension allows additional opportunities for interested citizens and groups to submit comments on the proposed plan. Information concerning the proposed plan and risk assessment on the Motor Pool Pond is available for public review in the Administrative Record file in the INEL Technical Library, 1776 Science Center Drive in Idaho Falls. Copies are also available for review in the INEL Information Repository section of public libraries in Idaho Falls, Pocatello, Twin Falls, Boise, and the University of Idaho Library in Moscow.

To request a copy of the proposed plan, please call the INEL Community Relations Plan Coordinator at (208) 526-6864, or call the INEL Outreach offices at Pocatello (233-4731), Twin Falls (734-0463), or Boise (334-9572).

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