

The U.S. Department of Energy encourages public comment during the 30-day comment period on a removal action for Waste Area Group 10 at the Idaho National Engineering Laboratory. The action involves clearing approximately 100 unexploded ordnance located on 130 acres of the INEL. This removal action will mitigate the explosive hazard to INEL site workers from uncontrolled detonation of ordnance at three

## Availability of "Engineering Evaluation/ Cost Analysis" Report

The Engineering Evaluation/Cost Analysis report is available to the public in the Administrative Record file for "Operable Unit 10-03" in the INEL Information Repository sections of libraries and offices listed below This report documents the information that was used to develop, evaluate, and select a removal action for this non-time-critical removal project. The alternatives considered are:

• No Action: no immediate reduction of the explosive hazard to site workers, facilities, or public roads

Placement of Administrative Barriers: use signs to warn of explosive hazard and barriers to limit controlled areas

• Search and Detonation: search for surface and near surface ordnance, mark, investigate, detonate, and explosive materials

The identification and comparative analysis of the alternatives resulted in the selection of a removal action alternative. Alternative #3 was selected because it fully mitigates the explosive hazard to INEL workers, uses a proven response action, is cost effective, and can be implemented in a timely manner. The removal would take six months to complete at a cost of 1.1 million dollars.

## **30-day Public Comment Period**

The public comment period began April 29 and will continue through May 29, 1994. Written comments may be sent to: Jerry Lyle, Acting Deputy Assistant Manager, Office of Program Execution, DOE Idaho Operations Office, P.O. Box 2047, Idaho Falls, ID 83403-2047.

A briefing may be scheduled to discuss the removal action and receive verbal public comments. To request a copy of the Engineering Evaluation/Cost Analysis report or to request a briefing, write to the address listed above or call the INEL Community Relations Plan office at (208) 526-6864 or the INEL's toll-free number at

## **INEL Information Repository and Administrative Record Locations**

DOE-ID Public Reading Room

Shoshone-Bannock Library Bannock and Pima Streets Fort Hall

**INEL Twin Falls Office** 233 2nd Street North, Suite B

University of Idaho Library University of Idaho Campus Moscow

**INEL Boise Office** 816 W. Bannock, Suite 306