

Notice of Availability

TNT- Contaminated Soil Removal Action



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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 removing approximately 300 cubic yards of TNT- and RDX-contaminated soil from World War II naval ordnance tests at the INEL. This removal action will mitigate the potential risks associated with inhalation, ingestion, and dermal absorption of contaminated soils to INEL site workers.

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 nontime-critical removal project. The alternatives considered were:

1. No Action:

Contaminated soils would remain in place, warning signs would remain in place

2. Excavation and Off-Site Incineration:

Includes soil characterization and excavation; transportation and incineration off-site; and revegetation of excavated sites in three phases of work

3. Excavation and On-Site Bioremediation:

Includes soil characterization and excavation; on-site bioremediation of contaminated soils; and revegetation of excavated sites in three phases of work

Comparing and analyzing the alternatives resulted in the selection of Alternative #3 because it would reduce risks to workers and is a cost-effective remedy that can be implemented in a timely manner. The soil characterization and excavation and on-site bioremediation is expected to be completed by September 1995 at a cost of \$736,000.

Public Comment Period: June 7 to July 7, 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 (800) 708-2680.

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