



# Nevada Site Specific Advisory Board

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SUBJECT: Nevada Site Specific Advisory Board (NSSAB)  
Recommendation for Groundwater Communication Activities  
-- Work Plan Item #7

Dear Ms. Snyder:

The NSSAB was asked to provide recommendations, from a community perspective, to the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) if additional communication tools should be developed to help communicate groundwater-related topics to the general public.

The NSSAB received a briefing at its June 21st Full Board meeting regarding the current groundwater communication activities conducted by the Environmental Management (EM) Nevada Program. Per the NSSAB's request, additional information on non-groundwater outreach efforts and cost information on the NSSAB was provided at a later date.

Based on the briefing, additional information requested by the NSSAB, and Board discussion, the NSSAB expressed that the DOE is doing a thorough job and does not have any additional ideas or improvements for groundwater communication activities. The NSSAB recommends that the DOE continue its current outreach efforts for groundwater communication activities based on the present level of interest by the general public.

The NSSAB appreciates the time that Federal and contractor staff briefed on this topic and also for the additional information requested by the NSSAB in support of this work plan item.

Sincerely,

Steven Rosenbaum, Chair

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