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Update: Telecast in the 200 Area for the Black History Month Program

Noted professor and author Dr. Quintard Taylor will speak on African American history in the northwest on Thursday, February 14, 2002. The program will begin at 10:00 a.m. at the Federal Building Auditorium and be telecast at the 2704 HV Building, Room G-206.

The lecture is one of the activities chosen by the U.S. Department of Energy to mark Black History Month in the Tri-Cities. You are invited to help us celebrate the local theme of "Our History is Your History." For more information contact Carrie Swafford-Chube at 509?372?4931.

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Historical Note: The U.S. Department of Energy's Richland Operations Office manages the Hanford Site in southeastern Washington State. Hanford was established during World War II as part of the top secret Manhattan Project to produce plutonium for nuclear weapons. Weapons material production was halted in the late 1980s. The Hanford Site is now engaged in the world's largest cleanup effort to deal with the legacy of radioactive and hazardous wastes that resulted from the plutonium production era. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the Washington State Department of Ecology regulate Hanford's cleanup program under a long-term compliance contract called the Tri-Party Agreement. This agreement sets the framework and timelines on the cleanup work so that Hanford meets environmental standards. Hanford cleanup is focused on three outcomes: restoring the Columbia River Corridor for other uses, transitioning the Central Plateau to long term waste treatment and storage, and preparing for the future.

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