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Re: Public Involvement

Dear Messrs. Klein, Schepens, Iani, and Ms. Hoffman,

During discussions with the agencies during a Public Involvement Committee meeting, it became clear that multiple items on the existing "Issues for HAB Consideration" list are becoming more defined, both in scope and schedule.

To aid both the Hanford Advisory Board (Board) and the agencies in preparing for stakeholder and public involvement activities, the Board requests the agencies share plans for stakeholder and public engagement on each item on the list. This is not a request to reconsider the items on the list, or "make work" for the agencies. Rather, it is simply an

acknowledgement of the evolution of agency plans and the need for more rigor in planning for stakeholder and public involvement activities.

Sincerely,

Todd Martin, Chair  
Hanford Advisory Board

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*This letter represents HAB consensus for this specific topic. It should not be taken out of context to extrapolate Board agreement on other subject matters.*

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