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Re: 200-UP1 Proposed Plan Rev 0

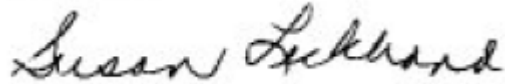
Dear Messrs. McCormick and Faulk,

The Hanford Advisory Board (Board) would like to thank the Tri-Party Agreement (TPA) agencies for the 200-UP-1 Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (RI/FS), Proposed Plan, and Interim Record of Decision (Interim ROD) presentation provided to the Board's River and Plateau Committee meeting on July 11, 2012. The Board compliments a collaborative TPA effort that moves remediation forward with this well-founded project through a well-considered process. Additionally, the Board further appreciates the thoughtful, built-in, additional capacity of the new 200-West Pump-and-Treat facility that will optimize treatment expansion to include 200-UP-1 groundwater remediation.

The Board fully supports the use of the Interim ROD process for 200-UP-1, since time is of the essence to reduce the impact of the expanding groundwater contaminant plumes. The use of an Interim ROD provides an opportunity to address the need for more detailed characterization of the lesser defined plumes (e.g. chromium plume), and provides more time to identify potential Iodine-129 groundwater remediation technologies.

The Board concurs with the choice of Alternative Three in the Proposed Plan, Rev. 0 and commends the TPA Agencies for a well-written plan.

Sincerely,



Susan Leckband, Chair
Hanford Advisory Board

This letter represents Board 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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