

Welcome to Community Workshop Series to Develop Alternatives, Session One

Overview of Applicable Environmental Laws



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Purpose of Workshop Series



- DOE must prepare an EIS
- EIS must include a range of reasonable alternatives
- DOE is committed to complying with laws and agreements
- Those laws and agreements don't tell DOE how to cleanup Area IV
- DOE is grateful that you are willing to help identify reasonable alternatives



Three Sessions

- Tonight: focus on applicable environmental laws
- June 7 – Interactive opportunity to identify preliminary options for addressing DOE's purpose and need
- June 9 – Work session to help groups develop alternatives that can be evaluated in the EIS

Objectives



This session is designed to provide:

- Introduction to National Environmental Policy Act and other environmental laws that must be addressed during preparation of the Environmental Impact Statement as well as implementation of the cleanup
- An overview of DOE's strategy for complying with the relevant environmental laws during preparation of the Environmental Impact Statement.

Agenda



National Environmental Policy Act and other Environmental Laws	6:15 - 7:30 pm
<i>Sean Hecht, J.D., UCLA School of Law</i>	
Break	7:30 – 7:45 pm
DOE’s Compliance with Environmental Law	7:45 – 8:30 pm
<i>Julie Ann Smith, Ph.D., DOE’s Office of NEPA Policy and Compliance</i>	
Questions and Answers	8:30 – 9:00 pm



Ground Rules

- Hold all questions until the “Question and Answer” portion of the meeting
- Stay focused on the purpose of this session – applicable environmental laws
- Appreciate diversity of perspectives, concerns, values, opinions
- Treat others with kindness and respect

Ground Rules for Question and Answer Session



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- One question per person at a time; can follow-up after everyone else has had a chance
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- Treat others with kindness and respect