

Response to Comments

242-A Evaporator Class 2 Permit Modification

July 18 through September 16, 2019

Summary of a public comment period and responses to comments

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Introduction

The Washington State Department of Ecology's Nuclear Waste Program (Ecology) manages dangerous waste within the state by writing permits to regulate its treatment, storage, and disposal. When a new permit or a significant modification to an existing permit is proposed, Ecology holds a public comment period to allow the public to review the change and provide formal feedback. (See <u>Washington Administrative Code [WAC] 173-303-830</u> for types of permit changes.)

The Response to Comments is the last step before issuing the final permit, and its purpose is to:

- Specify which provisions, if any, of a permit will become effective upon issuance of the final permit, providing reasons for those changes.
- Describe and document public involvement actions.
- List and respond to all significant comments received during the public comment period and any related public hearings.

This Response to Comments is prepared for:

Comment period:	242-A Evaporator Class 2 Permit Modification July 18 – September 16, 2019
Permit:	Hanford Facility Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Permit for the Treatment, Storage, and Disposal of Dangerous Waste, Part III, Operating Unit Group 4 (WA7890008967), 242-A Evaporator
Permittee(s):	U.S. Department of Energy, Office of River Protections and Washington River Protection Solutions
Original issuance date:	January 28, 1998
Draft effective date:	December 12, 2019

To see more information related to the Hanford Site and nuclear waste in Washington, please visit our website: <u>https://www.ecology.wa.gov/Hanford</u>.

Reasons for issuing the permit

This Class 2 Permit Modification allows the U.S. Department of Energy (USDOE) to connect a backup waste transfer line from the Effluent Management Facility (EMF) at the Waste Treatment and Immobilization Plant to an existing transfer line between the 242-A Evaporator and the Liquid Effluent Retention Facility (LERF). It will also upgrade the electronic leak detection system. This would allow transfer of effluent waste from the EMF to the LERF. This requires modification to the permit, including more detailed information in the permit conditions and applicable chapters.

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Modifications to the chapters include revised information on the 242-A Evaporator boundary, waste acceptance plan, leak detection, and leak/spill response information.

Public involvement actions

USDOE encouraged public comment on the 242-A Evaporator Class 2 Permit Modification during 60-day public comment period held July 18 through September 16, 2019.

The following actions were taken to notify the public:

- Mailed a public notice announcing the comment period to 1259 members of the public. Copies of the public notice were distributed to members of the public at Hanford Advisory Board meetings.
- Placed a public announcement display advertisement in the *Tri-City Herald* on July 18, 2019.
- Emailed a notice announcing the start of the comment period to the 1370 members of the <u>Hanford-Info email list</u>.
- Posted the comment period as an event on the <u>Washington Department of Ecology</u> <u>Hanford Facebook page</u>.

USDOE held a public meeting on August 27, 2019, at 5:30 p.m. at the Richland Public Library. Two members of the public attended and zero comments were collected.

The Hanford information repositories located in Richland, Spokane, and Seattle, Washington, and Portland, Oregon, received the following documents for public review:

- Transmittal letter
- Statement of Basis for the proposed 242-A Evaporator Permit Modification
- Draft 242-A Evaporator Permit Modification
- Supplemental Information to support the 242-A Evaporator Permit Modification

The following public notices for this comment period are in <u>Appendix A</u> of this document:

- Public notice (focus sheet)
- Classified advertisement in the *Tri-City Herald*
- Notices sent to the Hanford-Info email list
- Event posted on the Washington Department of Ecology Hanford Facebook page

List of Commenters

The table below lists the names of organizations or individuals who submitted a comment on the 242-A Evaporator Class 2 Permit modification. The comments and responses are in <u>Attachment 1</u>.

Commenter	Organization
Solea Anonymous	Citizen
Mike Conlan	Citizen
Geoff Daly	Citizen

Attachment 1: Comments and responses

Description of comments:

Ecology accepted comments from July 18 through September 16, 2019. This section provides a summary of comments that we received during the public comment period and our responses, as required by RCW 34.05.325(6)(a)(iii). Comments are grouped by individual, and each comment is addressed separately.

I-1: Solea Anonymous

Comment I-1-1

I live downstream in the Columbia River Gorge and am raising 4 children here in what seems like the ideal community. However, we are living under threat of radiation poisoning from Hanford, God forbid, a major accident were to occur. From its inception Hanford was tainted by its very purpose of extracting a harmful substance in order to kill civilians with weapons of mass destruction. Now we face more deaths as a result of the facility's neglect. Do the right thing, clean up this shameful mess and end the devastation it has brought.

Response to I-1-1

Ecology is working to ensure that long-term storage, treatment, and disposal of the waste is protective of human health and the environment.

The 242-A Evaporator is used to reduce double-shell tank volume to support single-shell tank retrieval. This permit modification updates the permit to ensure proper operation of the facility.

Ecology and the permittees are working together to ensure timely and safe cleanup of the waste at Hanford.

I-2: Mike Conlan

Comment I-2-1

- 1) Remove all nuclear waste,
- 2) Do not allow anymore nuclear waste into the facility,
- 3) Replace all single storage tanks,
- 4) Stop all the nuclear leakage from entering the Columbia River

Response to I-2-1

Ecology is working to ensure that long-term storage, treatment, and disposal of the waste is protective of human health and the environment.

The proposed permit changes are not to allow new waste, but to better manage the waste already at Hanford. Single-shell tanks are not in the scope of this comment period. Ecology does agree the tanks pose a threat. We believe a better approach to addressing it is to remove the waste from the single-shell tanks (SSTs) and put it in the compliant double-shell tanks (DSTs) to prepare for eventual treatment in the Waste Treatment Plan now being built. The operation of the 242-A Evaporator creates more DST space, allowing for SST retrieval. Stopping any potential nuclear waste from impacting the Columbia River is not within the scope of the 242-A Evaporator permit. Prevention of groundwater and surface water impacts are addressed in operations associated with other units.

I-3: Geoff Daly

Comment I-3-1

Dear Sirs/Madam, I am commenting on the need for modifying the Newer WTP Back-up transfer Line and the Existing Transfer line from the 242-A Evaporator to accommodate a leak detection sensing system to the LERF. I am recommending the use of a lined sealed polymer concrete trench with removable access panels for ease of Operation & Maintenance in the event of a complete leak or pipe failure, needing repair - attention. The pipe should be the latest usable materials for fabrication a pipe in a pipe [major companies in the chemical industry use them for handle hazardous/corrosive liquids. They are constructed with access ports to feed liquid sensor probes into the bottom of the Pipe Annulus with an appropriate signal line back to the central control/command center (Fiber optical sensors can be considered or the standard liquid peizeo liquid units). If it is feasible the GF Plastic piping company has a wide range of high pressure and chemical pipe in pipes, which should do the job of handling these water like fluids and condensates, unless they cannot handle any radiation and become brittle....then 316L SS should be utilized, except will be harder to dismantle, whereas the special plastics can crushed mechanically and be ground up and Vitrified with Lo/HI level wastes and the appropriate BoroSilicate sands, grouts. Concerning the trench and its covers, being made of Polymer Concrete this would be a very light-weight, strong and chemical impervious made with Fly Ash and Bottoms, Pozzolan/Natural Zeolites and 10% Portland cement powder. All can be recycle at a later date and used for Grouts to encapsulate Radionuclides and part of the Vitrification process. Note: - Hanford has huge deposits of Fly Ash and Bottoms for ingredients to make the Polymer Concrete trenches and covers from onsite sources. Is a no brainer at the end of the day and offers a real safe way of providing a safe Leak-proof Transfer piping system and using materials that can be easily recycled and useful. Contact me as a follow up if I can be of assistance, at the above email address.

Response to I-3-1

The transfer lines, both the PC-5000 and proposed 3"-WTP-002-M17, are centrifugally cast, fiberglass-reinforced epoxy resin, meeting the requirements of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers ASTM D-2296. They are compatible with the wastes they will contain.

The new leak detection system will be a single low-point detector located at catch tank 60M-TK-1. If the electronic system is not available, the permittees may use visual inspection of a sight glass at the tank.

No changes to the modification were made.

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PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD Proposed Class 2 Permit Modification for the 242-A Evaporator to Add Waste Treatment and Immobilization Plant Backup Transfer Line

The U.S. Department of Energy and Washington River Protection Solutions are holding a 60-day public comment period on a proposed modification to the Hanford Facility Dangerous Waste Permit. This proposed permit modification would add a backup transfer line from the WTP Effluent Management Facility to an existing transfer line between the 242-A Evaporator and the Liquid Effluent Retention Facility.

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Background

The Hanford Site is located in southeastern Washington state along the Columbia River. The 580-square-mile site was created in 1943 as part of the Manhattan Project to produce plutonium for the nation's defense program. Today, waste management and environmental cleanup are the main missions at Hanford.

The Department of Energy (DOE) and its contractor Washington River Protection Solutions are requesting a Class 2 modification to the 242-A Evaporator chapter of the Hanford Dangerous Waste Permit. The 242-A Evaporator is a mixed-waste treatment and storage unit that concentrates the liquid (supernatant) portion of double-shell tank waste and is located near the center of the Hanford Site in the 200 East Area (see map).

Overview

The permit establishes requirements to ensure that waste management activities protect human health and the environment. DOE is proposing a Class 2 permit modification pursuant to Washington Administrative Code <u>WAC 173-303-830</u>, which requires a 60-day public review process that includes a public meeting, a newspaper advertisement announcing the meeting, and a fact sheet.

Summary of Changes

If approved, the modification would allow DOE to connect a backup waste transfer line from the Effluent Management Facility (EMF) at the Waste Treatment and Immobilization Plant to an existing transfer line between the 242-A Evaporator and the Liquid Effluent Retention Facility (LERF) and to upgrade the electronic leak detection system. This would allow transfer of effluent waste from the EMF to the LERF. This requires modification to the permit including more detailed information in the permit conditions and applicable chapters. Modifications to the chapters include revised information on the 242-A Evaporator boundary, waste acceptance plan, leak detection, and leak/spill response information.



PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

July 18 to September 16, 2019

Get Involved Stay Involved

Public Meeting:

August 27, 5:30 p.m. Richland Public Library 955 Northgate Dr. Richland, WA 99352

Contact Information:

Paula Call, DOE (509) 376 2048 Paula.Call@orp.doe.gov

Daina McFadden, Ecology (509) 372 7950 Hanford@ecy.wa.gov

Administrative Record: https://go.usa.gov/xyCeC

Submit Comments: http://wt.ecology.commentin put.com/?id=GU4pS



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FACT SHEET

Permit Chapters Affected by this Modification:

- Permit Conditions
- Chapter 1, Part A Form
- Chapter 3, Waste Analysis Plan
- Chapter 4, Process Information
- Chapter 6, Procedures to Prevent Hazards



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A 60-day public comment period will begin July 18 and continue through September 16. A public meeting will be held August 27 at 5:30 p.m. at the Richland Public Library, 955 Northgate Drive, Richland, Washington 99352.

To request disability accommodation, please contact Jennifer Colborn, <u>Jennifer M Colborn@rl.gov</u>, (509) 376-5840 at least 10 working days prior to the event.

All comments must be submitted by September 16 in writing by mail or electronically (preferred) to:



Washington State Department of Ecology 3100 Port of Benton Boulevard Richland, WA 99354 <u>http://wt.ecology.commentinput.com/?id=GU4pS</u> (preferred)

At the conclusion of the public comment period, the Washington State Department of Ecology will address public comments and prepare a Response to Comment document.

Copies of the proposed modification and supporting documentation will be available online during the public comment period at https://go.usa.gov/xyCeC, on Ecology's website and at the Hanford Public Information Repositories at https://go.usa.gov/xyCeC, on Ecology's website and at the Hanford Public Information Repositories at https://go.usa.gov/xyCeC, on Ecology's website and at the Hanford Public Information Repositories at https://go.usa.gov/xyCeC, on Ecology's website and at the Hanford Public Information Repositories at https://go.usa.gov/xyCeC, on Ecology's website and at the Hanford Public Information Repositories at https://go.usa.gov/xyCer.

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Public Involvement Opportunity

242-A Evaporator chapter of the Hanford Dangerous Waste Permit We want to hear from you on the proposed changes to the

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Class 2 Permit Modification Fact Sheet U.S. Department of Energy Office of River Protection P.O. Box 450, H4-02 Richland, WA 99352



Amazon faces EU antitrust inquiry over third-party data

BY ADAM SATARIANO New York Times

LONDON

Amazon faces a widening inquiry in Europe over whether it unfairly uses data collected from thirdparty sellers who rely on its platform, the latest move by regulators around the world to curb the growing power of big technology companies.

The European Union's top antitrust regulator said Wednesday that it had opened a formal antitrust investigation into whether Amazon was using the third-party data to promote its own products at the expense of other retailers. The announcement came a day after representatives of Amazon, Apple, Facebook and Google were sharply criticized by lawmakers in Washington over the companies' market dominance.

The announcement, by the European Commission, the bloc's executive branch, is an incremental step in an inquiry into Amazon's business practices that was described as "preliminary" in September. There is no hard deadline for the investigation to be completed, and it could last for years.

Regulators said they were examining whether Amazon was hurting com-



Nate Sutton, associate general counsel of competition at Amazon, testifies Tuesday before a subcommittee of the House Judiciary Committee on Capitol Hill.

petition by abusing its dual role as a retailer that sells its own goods and a marketplace where other merchants sell products.

"E-commerce has boosted retail competition and brought more choice and better prices," said Margrethe Vestager, Europe's competition commissioner. "We need to ensure that large online platforms don't eliminate these benefits through anti-competitive behavior.'

In a statement, Amazon said, "We will cooperate fully with the European Commission and continue working hard to support businesses of all sizes and help them grow."

The investigation highlights the growing importance of data in measuring

the power of tech platforms. Regulators in Washington and Europe are looking more closely at whether the methods that companies like Amazon, Facebook and Google use to collect and hoard data give them an unfair advantage over rivals without comparable access to the same kind of data.

Europe has been at the forefront of regulating the tech industry on issues like antitrust, tax evasion, privacy protection and the spread of hate speech and other harmful content. Google has been fined three times in the past two years for anti-competitive business practices, resulting in penalties totaling more than \$9 billion. In 2016, Apple was ordered

to repay about \$14.6 billion for unfair tax benefits it has received in Ireland. The investigation an-

nounced Wednesday could eventually lead to fines for Amazon or demands that it change its business practices. A settlement could also be reached, or the case could be dropped.

European investigators are also in the early stages of an antitrust investigation involving Facebook, according to a person familiar with the inquiry.

The inquiry into Amazon's practices shows how European authorities have sharpened their focus on companies that provide platforms that other businesses depend on to reach customers. Amazon's website is the main storefront for many third-party merchants, with a substantial number paying a fee to store goods in the company's warehouses and using its delivery network to ship products.

Yet third-party sellers have long suspected that if Amazon notices that a particular product is selling well, it comes up with its own version - and offers it at a lower price.

European investigators said Wednesday that their investigation of Amazon would include examining the agreements that the company makes with merchants and how it is then able to analyze and use third-party sellers' data. Another focus of the inquiry will be how Amazon selects the goods placed in its "Buy Box" section, a prized space on the company's website where customers click to add items to their purchase cart.

Cherry growers having better than average season

BY CHERYL SCHWEIZER Columbia Basin Herald

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Farming bears a resemblance to playing the slot machines - past a certain point, the farmer just has to trust fortune. Sometimes fortune smiles, and sometimes fortune frowns. In 2019, fortune seems to be smiling on cherry growers.

As of Tuesday, the average price for red cherries was ranging between \$1.80 to \$2 per pound in the domestic market, and between \$2 to \$2.30 per pound in the export market, according to information from the U.S. Department of Agriculture. The state's 2019 cherry crop is estimated at about 20 million 20pound boxes, said Steve Castleman of CMI Orchards in Wenatchee. The pre-harvest estimate was about 23 million boxes.

The crop is expected to be smaller than the last couple years, but bigger than the three-year average, said Tim Kovis, communications manager for the Washington Tree Fruit Association. "That is not a bad place to be."

Kovis has been talking to Washington growers throughout the season. The state's harvest has about a month to go depending on the variety and location, harvest will continue through mid-August – but "everybody seems to be optimistic trends will hold."

Sometimes Mother Nature doesn't cooperate during cherry season, but she has in Washington in 2019. "We've had a really good growing season," said Bob Grandy, risk manager for Gebbers Farms in Brewster.

It didn't necessarily start out that way. "It's been a strange season," starting with a late winter, Castleman said. That delayed the bloom in some places. "The early districts blossomed late. The middle and late districts blossomed on schedule," he said. That could've meant a lot of cherries ripening at the same time, "that big squeeze in late June-early July," Castleman said. That would've been bad for growers, but it didn't happen. The districts where bloom was late seemed to mature early, he said.

Rain can be bad for cherries if it falls at the wrong time - say, when the fruit is close to harvest. (Water pools in the hollow of the cherry stem, and in certain circumstances the cherry will absorb the water and split open.) It did rain at inconvenient times in some cherry growing districts, but "we seemed to get out of those events unscathed," Kovis said.

FaceApp lets you change appearance, but it's prompting safety concerns

BY EMILY BALSER The Tribune-Review, Greensburg, Pa.

If you've ever wondered what you'll look like when vou're older, vou're in luck. There's an app for

that.

the tech scene about two years ago, has resurfaced this week and gone viral again after a new feature was added that allows you to age yourself to look older or younger.

The new feature has created a "challenge" that people are participating in,

on social media. Lots of celebrities also go in on the challenge, many poking fun at themselves.

Some people are questioning the safety of the actions. FaceApp is a Russia startup with the core of its R&D team based in Russia, but the company's

that no user data is transferred to Russia and that the app uses Amazon Web Services and Google Cloud for its cloud processing.

Tech Crunch also points out that some users are concerned about whether the app accesses and

to its server. They reported they found no evidence of this and neither did security researchers.

But users should be cautious about including sensitive information, like banking information, in any of the photos used in the app. With a scraper FaceApp, which first hit posting their aging photos founder told Tech Crunch uploads your camera roll and optical character rec- privacy.

ognition tech, someone could glean huge amounts of information beyond just photos.

Experts in each report caution users to be extra vigilant about the apps they use and the permission they give those apps if they have concerns over

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Learn about a proposed permit modification for the 242-A Evaporator to add a Waste Treatment and Immobilization Plant backup transfer line

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: July 18 to September 16, 2019

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) is holding a 60-day public comment period to support a Class 2 permit modification in accordance with WAC 173-303-830. The proposed permit modification would add a backup transfer line from the Waste Treatment and Immobilization Plant Effluent Management Facility to an existing transfer line between the 242-A Evaporator and the Liquid Effluent Retention Facility.

A public meeting will be held August 27, 2019, at 5:30 p.m. at the Richland Public Library, 955 Northgate Drive, Richland, Washington 99352.

Visit https://go.usa.gov/xyCeC to review details on these proposed changes. Please submit comments by September 16, in writing, to the Washington State Department of Ecology (Ecology), 3100 Port of Benton Boulevard, Richland, Washington 99354, or electronically at http://wt.ecology.commentinput.com/?id=GU4pS

Questions? Contact DOE's Paula Call at paula.call@orp.doe.gov, (509) 376-2048, or Ecology's Daina McFadden at Hanford@ecy.wa.gov, (509) 372-7939.

The permittee's compliance history during the life of the permit being modified is available from the Washington State Department of Ecology contact person.

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Notice of Public Comment Period on Proposed Changes to the Hanford Dangerous Waste Permit

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) is planning a 60-day public comment period on a proposed modification to the Hanford Dangerous Waste Permit. This proposed Class 2 permit modification would allow DOE to connect a backup waste transfer line from the Waste Treatment and Immobilization Plant (WTP) Effluent Management Facility (EMF) to an existing transfer line between the 242-A Evaporator and the Liquid Effluent Retention Facility (LERF). This would allow transfer of effluent waste from the WTP EMF to the LERF.

The public comment period is expected to begin in July, with a public meeting in August.

The proposed modification and supporting documentation will be available online during the comment period at <u>Hanford Administrative Record and at</u> the <u>Public Information Repositories</u> located in Richland, Seattle, Spokane, and Portland.

A summary fact sheet and details of the public meeting will be provided when the comment period begins.

Questions? Please contact Paula Call, DOE, at <u>paula.call@orp.doe.gov</u> or Daina McFadden, Ecology, at <u>Hanford@ecy.wa.gov.</u>

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Electronic access to the proposed permit modification and supporting documentation is available at the Hanford Administrative Record Public Information Repository located at 2440 Stevens Drive, Richland, Washington, the <u>Hanford Public Information Repositories</u>, the Hanford.gov <u>events calendar</u>, and the DOE <u>Administrative Records</u> website. Please see the attached summary fact sheet.

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https://ecology.wa.gov/.../Nuclear-was.../Public-comment-periods



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