



Livermore Site Office News

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U.S. DEPT. OF ENERGY/NATIONAL NUCLEAR SECURITY ADMINISTRATION ANNOUNCES PREPARATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENT FOR LAWRENCE LIVERMORE NATIONAL LABORATORY

Livermore, CA – The U.S. Department of Energy/National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA) today announced the availability of the draft Site-wide Environmental Impact Statement for Continued Operation of Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory and Supplemental Stockpile Stewardship and Management Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement (LLNL SW/SPEIS). The document is being prepared in accordance with the Council on Environmental Quality's National Environmental Policy Act.

“The document analyzes the potential environmental impacts associated with continuing current Livermore Laboratory operations and foreseeable new and/or modified operations and facilities for approximately the next ten years,” NNSA Livermore Site Office Manager, Camille Yuan-Soo Hoo said.

A Notice of Availability of the draft LLNL SW/SPEIS and the plan to hold public hearings will be published in the Federal Register on February 27, 2004. The purpose of the notice is to invite public participation in the review process.

A 90-day public comment period will begin with the publication of the notice in the Federal Register on February 27, 2004 and will continue until May 27, 2004. Public hearings will be held at three locations:

1. Tuesday April 27, 2004, at 1:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.
Double Tree Club (formerly the Holiday Inn), 720 Las Flores Rd., Livermore, CA,
(925) 443-4950
2. Wednesday April 28, 2004, at 1:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.
Holiday Inn Express, 3751 N. Tracy Blvd., Tracy, CA, (209) 830-8500
3. Friday April 30, 2004 at 10:00 a.m.
U. S. Department of Energy, Room 1E-245, 1000 Independence Ave, S. W., Washington,
D.C.

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The following web site may be accessed, beginning February 20, 2004, for additional information: www-envirinfo.llnl.gov/. The draft LLNL SW/SPEIS is available on this web site. The web site will have instructions on how to submit comments and request information. A toll-free number, 1-877-388-4930, has been established to receive public requests for information.

Comments on the draft LLNL SW/SPEIS will be received by:

- E-mail - tom.grim@oak.doe.gov
- Facsimile – 925-422-1776
- Oral statements transcribed at the public meetings
- Written comments sent to:
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Information and a copy of the draft LLNL SW/SPEIS is available at the following locations:

- Livermore Public Library, 1000 South Livermore Avenue, Livermore, CA 94550 (925) 373-5500;
- Tracy Public Library, 20 East Eaton Avenue, Tracy, CA 95376 (209) 831-4250;
- LLNL Public Reading Room, LLNL Discovery Center, Building 6525, located at the East Gate entrance off Greenville Road, Livermore, CA 94551 (925) 424-4026;
- NNSA Service Center/Oakland Public Reading Room, eighth floor, North tower, Oakland Federal Building, 1301 Clay Street, Oakland, CA 94612 (510) 637-1762; and,
- DOE Freedom of Information Act Office and Reading Room, Room 1E-190, 1000 Independence Ave, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20585 (202) 586-3142.

Background: NNSA is updating the 1992 Environmental Impact Statement/Environmental Impact Report for Livermore Lab. A Site-Wide review is conducted every 10 years.

Comments on the draft LLNL SW/SPEIS need to be sent or postmarked no later than May 27, 2004.