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NEVADA NUCLEAR WASTE STORAGE INVESTIGATIONS (NNWSI) PROJECT WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS FOR THE WEEK ENDING SEPTEMBER 18, 1986.

I. Critical Items Status

Chapter 7 (Waste Package) of the Site Characterization Plan (SCP) was distributed to Permanent Internal Review Committee (PIRC) members on September 10. The comment resolution meeting will be held during the third week of October.

Three PIRC comment resolution meetings will be held next week as follows: PIRC 13 (Higher Level Findings), PIRC 12 (Performance Assessment), and PIRC 1 (Geology).

Revisions to SCP Chapter 6 (Sections 6.0, 6.1, and 6.2) are expected to be completed at Sandia by October 7.

Chapter 2 is being edited by PIRC 16 (editorial consistency review). The comment resolution meeting is being held September 16 through 18 in Las Vegas.

Draft scientific investigation planning documentation was sent to the Waste Management Project Office (WMPO) by Lawrence Livermore for the EQ3/6 task quality assurance level assignments.

A Core Library Steering Committee meeting was held this week to initiate work on a report of committee findings to WMPO. There is no projected completion date for the report at this time.

I-A. Project Manager's Concerns

A letter was sent on September 9 to Alexander requesting review and comment on the Project's SCP PIRC process. Due September 30, 1986 (86-2250).

A September 10 letter was sent to Purcell requesting that controlled copies of the Issues Hierarchy officially be distributed to a list of names provided in the letter by October 10 (86-2257).

The following concerns have been reported previously on Weekly Highlights reports.

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Issue	Status	First Report Date
1. Letter to Knight dated February 13 asks for guidance on how to address the difference between the NRC definition of the "engineered barrier" and the Program's baseline position. (86-714)	Due March 6, 1986.	02/20/86
2. Letter to Knight dated March 25 requests HQ help in obtaining available NRC information regarding criteria, restrictions, and analyses relating to overflight of licensed facilities by aircraft. (86-958)	Due May 6, 1986.	03/27/86
3. Draft NNWSI Project Charter sent to Cassella on June 26 to obtain necessary signatures from headquarters personnel. (86-1573)	Due July 17, 1986.	07/03/86
4. Letter to Alexander dated August 18 requests comments on a sample study plan, September 8. (86-2095)	Due September 8, 1986.	08/21/86
5. Letter to Knight dated August 6 requested comments by August 27 on proposed technical and Appendix 7 meetings with Nuclear Regulatory Commission and a proposed schedule. (86-2019)	Due August 27, 1986.	08/21/86
6. Letter to Alexander dated August 21, requests comments on strategy proposed in the letter and on the draft report comments and content regarding the Department of Energy (DOE)-States/Indian Tribes May 7-8 Agreement. (86-2121)	Due August 25, 1986.	08/28/86

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7. Letter to Jelacic dated August 21, requests guidance as to the applicability of a Los Alamos report entitled "A Guide to Radiological Accident Considerations for Siting and Design of DOE Nuclear Facilities." (86-2126) Due September 11, 1986. 08/28/86
8. Letter to Purcell dated August 28, requests clarification on whether the QA Draft Supplement Number 6 has been withdrawn. This supplement applies to the NNWSI Project Standard Operating Procedure-03-02. If it has been withdrawn, does the Office of Geologic Repositories (OGR) still expect comments based on the draft document? (86-2170) Due September 18, 1986. 09/11/86

II. Significant Accomplishments/Information Items

The Seismic/Tectonics Working Group is preparing for a dry-run on October 13-14 of their Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) proposed Appendix 7 meeting. The Project has suggested to headquarters that the NRC meeting be held the first week in November.

Wendy Dixon, Chief of the Systems & Project Control Branch, WMPO has begun a 90-day rotational assignment in Headquarters, Department of Energy (DOE). Wendy will be working directly with the Under Secretary (US) for the DOE, Joseph Salgado, and other members of his immediate staff until December 12, 1986. Wendy was selected, by Tom Clark, Manager, Nevada Operations Office, for this temporary assignment to broaden her knowledge and understanding of Headquarters operations and to provide her skills and expertise in the US's Office.

A meeting was held in Las Vegas on September 9 & 10, to discuss HQ's guidance to the projects for ACD Requirements documents. The meeting was attended by Charles Brooks (OGR-Systems), Nadia Dayen-Sheaks (Weston), Erik Svensan (Weston), R. Schlessor (RHO-BWIP), and representatives from all NNWSI Project participants. Discussions included; site specific requirements document format and content, subsystem design requirements document format and content, subsystem structure to be used, checklist being developed by OGR and BWIP for site subsystem structure, problems with the manner in which the projects have integrated the issues resolution process with the systems engineering process, and NNWSI's position on the prerequisite requirements documents. The NNWSI Project will develop a table of contents for a consolidated requirements document that meets the impact

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on Project cost and schedule. The use of the Physical Subsystem Structure as the organizing format for the SDR, Cost Estimates, etc., will be confirmed by HQ.

II. Upcoming Events

A. Coordination Group Meetings

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Contact</u>
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1. None to Report.

B. HQ Meetings

1. Tuesday-Wednesday, September 23-24	Program Manger's Meeting	Denver, CO	B. West, WMPO
2. Tuesday-Wednesday, September 30 - October 1	Performance Assessment Contractors' Meeting	Washington, D.C.	L. Skousen, WMPO
3. Monday-Tuesday October 27-28	Purcell/Isaacs visit (HQ Review)	Las Vegas	D. Vieth, WMPO

C. Internal Project and DOE/NV Meeting

1. Monday, September 22	Preproposal Confer- ence for T&MSS RFP	Las Vegas	M. Kunich, WMPO
2. Thursday-Friday September 25-26	ESTP Committee Meeting	Las Vegas	L. Skousen, WMPO
3. Tuesday, September 30	Project Data Base Group Meeting	Las Vegas	D. Livingston, WMPO
4. Wednesday-Thursday, October 1-2	PM-TPO Meeting	Las Vegas	J. Fiore, SAIC
5. Monday-Friday October 6-10	QAO Audit of WMPO	Las Vegas	J. Blaylock, WMPO
6. Tuesday, October 7	SOC Meeting	Las Vegas	U. Clanton, WMPO
7. Wednesday, October 8	Environmental Permit Plan Workshop	Las Vegas	M. Blanchard, WMPO

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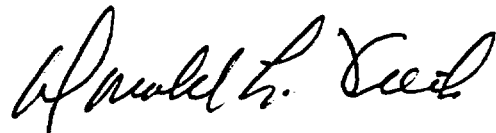
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D. State and Public Interaction

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| 1. Friday,
September 26 | NTS tour for Ponsford
and Feakes, UK Depart-
ment of Environment | Las Vegas | C. West,
OPA |
| 2. Tuesday,
October 21 | Lion's Club Speech | Las Vegas | B. West,
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E. NRC Interaction


1. None to Report.



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