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FROM: Paul T. Prestholt, Sr. OR - NNWSI
DATE: May 2, 1986
SUBJECT: DOE Weekly Report

Please find attached the above-referenced report received in this office, i.e., for week ending April 24, 1986.

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NEVADA NUCLEAR WASTE STORAGE INVESTIGATIONS (NNWSI) PROJECT WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS
FOR THE WEEK ENDING APRIL 24, 1986

I. Project Managers Concerns

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

<u>Issue</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>First Report Date</u>
1. Letter to Barrett dated December 24 requested which states are prepared to work in cooperative mode (informal agreement) with Transportation Department; also requested language that could be used in grant to the State in the area of transportation. (86-450)	Due January 13, 1986 Open. Philpott to call WMPO.	12/26/85
2. Letter to Stein dated December 18 requests that QA SOP-03-02 (Software Quality Assurance) be reviewed and approved for discussion at the January 14-15 QA Software Meeting in Las Vegas. (86-437)	Due January 14, 1986 Open. OGR is reviewing as of 2/19.	12/26/85
3. Request for Benson to define when site characterization phase actually begins. (86-517)	Due January 13, 1986 Awaiting memo from DOE/HQ confirming telecon with Benson.	01/15/86
4. Letter dated January 22 to Knight request schedule for development of Office of Geologic Repositories (OGR) licensing information system. (86-585)		

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5. 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 2/20/86
6. Letter to Knight dated February 13 requests clarification of proposed time frame for NRC Audit of WMPO before initiating site characterization; is it tied to a specific NWPAs event? (86-715) Due March 6 2/20/86
7. Letter to Knight dated February 18 requests a copy of the draft policy on validating data. (86-749) Due March 11 2/20/86
8. Letter to Knight dated March 25 requests HQ help in obtaining available NRC information regarding criteria, restrictions, and analyses relating to over-flight of licensed facilities by aircraft. (86-958) Due May 6 3/27/86
9. Letter to Knight dated April 3 requests HQ guidance on HQ involvement in NRC/Project procedures for implementing Morgan-Davis agreement. (86-1032) Due April 30 4/10/86
10. Letter to Gale dated April 3 requests formal guidance on psychological factors related to monitoring and mitigation planning. (86-1029) Due April 24 4/10/86

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11. Letter to Gale from Dixon Due May 9 4/24/86
dated April 18 requests
clarification of guidance
on OMB regulations governing
collection of information
by Federal agencies.
(86-1107)

II. Significant Accomplishments/Information Items

At a meeting held earlier this month, a common issues hierarchy was agreed upon by the Basalt Waste Isolation Project (BWIP) and the Nevada Nuclear Waste Storage Investigations (NNWSI) Project. This issues hierarchy will be presented to the OGR Program and has been sent to the Salt Repository Project Office (SRPO). The NNWSI Project will not implement it until DOE/HQ officially notifies the Projects that HQ agrees with it. It is our understanding that the official implementation at BWIP and SRPO will also occur after guidance has been received from HQ.

Program material that is being prepared for the Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) Site Characterization Plan (SCP) meeting that will address the level of detail required in Chapter 8.3 was discussed during a conference call with Don Alexander this week. This meeting is scheduled for May 7-8, 1986.

The QA Coordinating Group (QACG) met in Las Vegas and discussed the Office of Geologic Repositories QA Plan and proposed supplements. The meeting was attended by representatives from HQ, Projects, the States, Indian Tribes, and NRC.

Dale Hedges of the NRC gave a presentation to a joint meeting of the Project PM-TPO and QACG meeting in Las Vegas on April 22. He answered Project questions regarding QA.

During the WMPO QA audit of Reynolds Electrical and Engineering Company (REECO), twenty findings were identified. A recommendation is forthcoming to suspend work at REECO consistent with their Project responsibility and support to other Project organizations.

IV. Upcoming Events

1. Coordination Group Meetings

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Contact</u>
1. Thursday-Friday, May 8-9	Environmental Coordination Group	Washington, D.C.	B. Jankus, WMPO

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| 2. Tuesday-Thursday,
May 20-22 | Institutional/Socio-
economic Coordination
Group | Washington,
D.C. | W. Dixon,
WMPO |
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<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Contact</u>
<u>2. HQ Meetings</u>			
1. Tuesday-Wednesday, May 6-7	DOE/HQ Budget Review	Washington, D.C.	B. West, WMPO
2. Monday, May 12	ESF Workshop	Washington D.C.	D. Irby, WMPO
3. Tuesday, May 13	Materials Steering Committee	Washington D.C.	L. Skousen, WMPO
4. Thursday, May 15	Ben Rusche Visit to NV	Las Vegas	B. West, WMPO
<u>3. Internal Project and DOE/NV Meetings</u>			
1. Monday, April 28	Trench Deposits Workshop	Las Vegas	J. Szymanski, WMPO
2. Tuesday-Wednesday, April 29-30	Seismic/Tectonics Workshop	Las Vegas	M. Blanchard, WMPO
3. Thursday, May 1	ESTP Committee Meeting	Las Vegas	D. Irby, WMPO
4. Tuesday, May 6	SOC Meeting	Las Vegas	U. Clanton, WMPO
5. Thursday, May 8	CCB Meeting	Las Vegas	W. Dixon, WMPO
6. Monday, May 19	ESF Status Meeting	Las Vegas	D. Irby, WMPO
7. Tuesday, May 20	DOE/NV Manager's Meeting	Las Vegas	B. West, WMPO
8. Wednesday-Friday, May 21-23	PM-TPO Meeting	Las Vegas	J. Fiore, SAIC
<u>4. State and Public Interaction</u>			
1. Friday, May 17	NTS Tour for Committee on Nuclear Waste	Nevada Test Site	B. West, WMPO

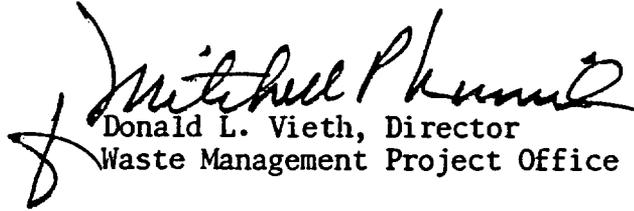
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2. Monday-Friday, May 19-23	American geophysical Union meeting	Baltimore	--
<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Contact</u>
5. <u>NRC Interaction</u>			
1. Tuesday-Wednesday, April 29-30	NRC Licensing Support System Presentation	Las Vegas	P. Prestholt, NRC, Las Vegas
2. Wednesday-Thursday May 7-8	NRC/SCP Chapter 8.3 Meeting (Level of Detail) (Tentative)	Washington, D.C.	M. Blanchard, WMPO

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