

# Legacy Management 2009 Update

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# DOE-LM Program Areas

- UMTRCA Title I and Title II sites long-term surveillance and maintenance (LTS&M)
- Transition of reclaimed UMTRCA Title II sites
- Uranium Leasing Program management
- Calibration models

Pre-Transition Visit to the Umetco  
Maybell West, CO, Site



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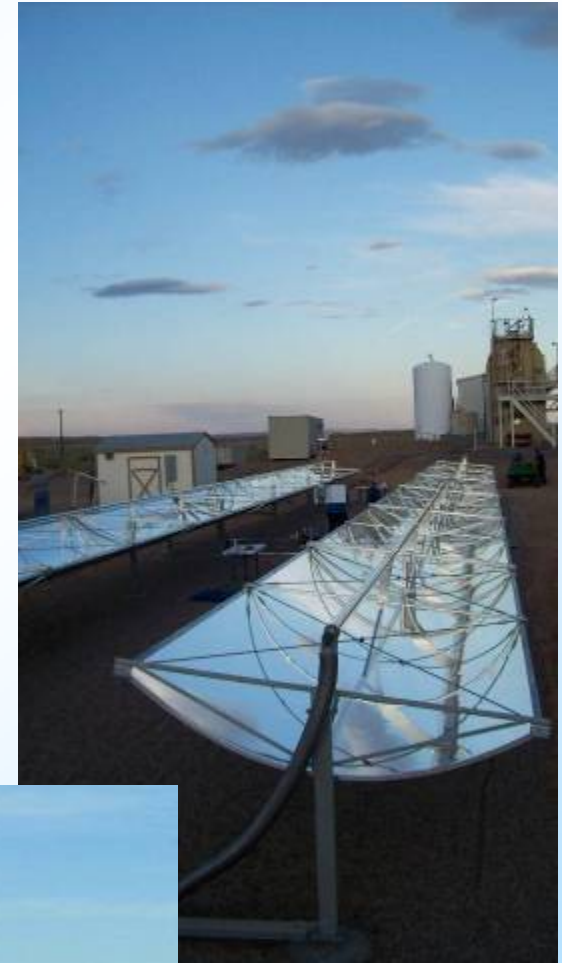
# Program Issues and Activities

- Mineral rights on private, state, and federal lands
  - Fee land: regulations in 10 CFR 40 Appendix A, Criterion 11 address acquisition and controls
  - State land (including school sections): NRC will address with licensee before transfer
  - Federal minerals-senior rights: need to identify protections for disposal site and groundwater
- Concurrent jurisdiction for Title II sites listed on NPL
- Comments on NRC in-situ leach Generic Environmental Impact Statement
- DOE site transition process guidance
- Revision of 1998 DOE/NRC site transfer protocol



# UMTRCA Title I Sites

- Lakeview, Oregon, rock durability
- ICs for processing sites
- Navajo Nation concerns
- Solar water heating at Tuba City, Arizona
- Cover performance studies



Tuba City, AZ, Site



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# UMTRCA Title II Sites

- Rio Algom sale uncertain (Lisbon Valley, Utah, and Ambrosia Lake West, New Mexico)
- Anadarko reinitiated transfer of Bear Creek, Wyoming
- Grants, New Mexico, regional groundwater
- Church Rock, New Mexico, (Northeast Church Rock Mine Site) remedy
- Pit lake at Highland, Wyoming
- Erosion at L-Bar, New Mexico
- Groundwater at Shirley Basin South, Wyoming
- Closure committee, transfer boundary at Uravan, Colorado



Buffalo Grazing at the Sherwood, WA, Site



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# Title II Transition Summary

- No sites transferred since 2008 NMA meeting
- Three sites close to termination and transfer
  - Maybell West, Colorado (Umetco)
  - Gas Hills North, Wyoming (Lucky Mc)
  - Bear Creek, Wyoming (Union Pacific Resources Inc.)
- Three sites could transfer by end of 2010
  - Durita, Colorado (Hecla)
  - Split Rock, Wyoming (Western Nuclear Inc.)
  - Gas Hills East, Wyoming (Umetco)
- Remaining sites still several years away from transfer



Site Inspection at the  
Gas Hills East, WY, Site



Ambrosia Lake, NM, Disposal Site



Falls City, TX, Disposal Site

Gunnison, CO, Disposal Site



Rifle, CO, Disposal Site



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# DOE LTS&M Information

- GEMS: an interactive data server providing environmental and geospatial site data  
[http://gems.lm.doe.gov/imf/sites/gems\\_continental\\_us/jsp/launch.jsp](http://gems.lm.doe.gov/imf/sites/gems_continental_us/jsp/launch.jsp)
  - Start with the tutorial
- LM website: technical and regulatory documentation for sites and program (<http://www.LM.doe.gov/>)
- Contact the site lead for your site



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# DOE Points of Contact for Title II Sites

| Site Name and State     | Company Name<br>(former site name) | Projected<br>Transfer<br>Date | DOE Point of<br>Contact | POC Phone    | POC Email                      |
|-------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|--------------|--------------------------------|
| Bear Creek, WY          | Anadarko                           | 2009                          | Scott Surovchak         | 720-377-9682 | Scott.Surovchak@lm.doe.gov     |
| Durita, CO              | Hecla-Durita                       | 2009                          | Tracy Ribeiro           | 970-248-6621 | Tracy.Ribeiro@lm.doe.gov       |
| Gas Hills North, WY     | Pathfinder (Lucky Mc)              | 2009                          | Scott Surovchak         | 720-377-9682 | Scott.Surovchak@lm.doe.gov     |
| Maybell West, CO        | UMETCO                             | 2009                          | Tracy Ribeiro           | 970-248-6621 | Tracy.Ribeiro@lm.doe.gov       |
| Gas Hills East, WY      | UMETCO                             | 2010                          | Scott Surovchak         | 720-377-9682 | Scott.Surovchak@lm.doe.gov     |
| Lisbon Valley, UT       | Rio Algom                          | TBD                           | Tracy Ribeiro           | 970-248-6621 | Tracy.Ribeiro@lm.doe.gov       |
| Panna Maria, TX         | Rio Grande Resources               | 2010                          | Jalena Dayvault         | 970-248-6016 | Jalena.Dayvault@lm.doe.gov     |
| Ray Point, TX           | Exxon                              | 2012                          | Jalena Dayvault         | 970-248-6016 | Jalena.Dayvault@lm.doe.gov     |
| Split Rock, WY          | Western Nuclear                    | 2009                          | Scott Surovchak         | 720-377-9682 | Scott.Surovchak@lm.doe.gov     |
| Uravan, CO              | UMETCO                             | 2011                          | Tracy Ribeiro           | 970-248-6621 | Tracy.Ribeiro@lm.doe.gov       |
| Ambrosia Lake West, NM  | Rio Algom                          | TBD                           | Chris Clayton           | 202-586-9034 | Christopher.Clayton@hq.doe.gov |
| Church Rock, NM         | UNC                                | 2013                          | Richard Bush            | 970-248-6073 | Richard.Bush@lm.doe.gov        |
| Conquista, TX           | Conoco                             | 2013                          | Jalena Dayvault         | 970-248-6016 | Jalena.Dayvault@lm.doe.gov     |
| Ford, WA                | Dawn                               | 2013                          | Richard Bush            | 970-248-6073 | Richard.Bush@lm.doe.gov        |
| Highland, WY            | Exxon                              | 2010                          | Scott Surovchak         | 720-377-9682 | Scott.Surovchak@lm.doe.gov     |
| Gas Hills West, WY      | ANC                                | 2011                          | Scott Surovchak         | 720-377-9682 | Scott.Surovchak@lm.doe.gov     |
| Sequoyah, OK            | Sequoyah Fuels                     | 2013                          | Jack Craig              | 727-541-8943 | Jack.Craig@lm.doe.gov          |
| Grants, NM              | Homestake-Grants                   | 2014                          | Chris Clayton           | 202-586-9034 | Christopher.Clayton@hq.doe.gov |
| Cañon City, CO          | Cotter                             | Indefinite                    | Mark Kautsky            | 970-248-6018 | Mark.Kautsky@lm.doe.gov        |
| Shirley Basin North, WY | Pathfinder                         | Indefinite                    | Scott Surovchak         | 720-377-9682 | Scott.Surovchak@lm.doe.gov     |
| Shootaring Canyon, UT   | Plateau                            | Indefinite                    | Richard Bush            | 970-248-6073 | Richard.Bush@lm.doe.gov        |
| Sweetwater, WY          | Kennecott                          | Indefinite                    | Scott Surovchak         | 720-377-9682 | Scott.Surovchak@lm.doe.gov     |
| White Mesa, UT          | International Uranium              | Indefinite                    | Richard Bush            | 970-248-6073 | Richard.Bush@lm.doe.gov        |

Erosion at the L-Bar, NM, Disposal Site



Monitor Well Installation at the Shirley Basin South, WY, Disposal Site



Disposal Cell at the Bluewater, NM, Disposal Site



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# Institutional Controls

- Institutional Controls (IC's) are implemented by licensees prior to transfer
- IC's incorporate a multi-layered approach including
  - Deed restrictions
  - Easements
  - Environmental covenants
  - Well drilling restrictions
- Institutional Controls
  - Enforceable, durable and protective
  - DOE has no regulatory authority and must rely on local, state, federal instruments and enforcement
- Institutional controls are described in long term surveillance and maintenance plans and must be fully executed



# DOE Uranium Leasing Program

- New 10-year leases executed for the 13 active lease tracts, effective April 30, 2008
- New 10-year leases executed for 18 inactive lease tracts, effective June 27, 2008
- To date, no surface-disturbing activities have been conducted by the leaseholders
- Contact Steve Schiesswohl, (720) 377-9683

## Borehole Calibration Models

- For gross gamma, spectral gamma, and fission neutron
- Documentation posted at <http://www.LM.doe.gov/land/calibration.htm>
- Contact DOE Grand Junction, Colorado, office, (970) 248-6000