

## January 28, 2010- Oconee Groundwater Monitoring Well Project Update

Installation of the new wells onsite at Oconee is nearing completion (1 out of the original 17 new wells still need to be completed). Quarterly sampling of the existing and new wells was completed this week. Two of the new wells did not meet the 2 week waiting period prior to sampling, and thus were not sampled along with the rest. Based on the elevated results that were previously obtained at well 16, two additional new wells in the transformer yard will be drilled, with excavation beginning next week.

Quick count results performed at Oconee show ~32,000 pCi/L at the same well location (GM-7/7R) that had previously shown increased concentrations of tritium. Official lab results that will be obtained next week are expected to be above the 20,000 pCi/L notification criteria. Therefore we should be prepared for the notification.

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