Nuclear Regulatory Commission Staff
Salt Disposal Unit (SDU) 2 Status

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Savannah River Remediation

We do the right thing.

Disposal Unit 2 Status Update

Chronological Perspective

	2B	2A
Initiate fill with domestic water for hydrostatic testing	4-Apr	24-May
Initial indications of damp spots	8-Apr	8-Jun
Subcontractor initiates intrusive investigation of source of water	14-Apr	8-Jun
Subcontractor submits dye test procedure*	30-Apr	30-Apr
Subcontractor initiates dye test	30-Apr	29-Jun
Rhodamine Dye detected	10-May	4-Jul
External repairs intiated	14-May	15-Jun
Initiated filling for 2nd dye test	1-Jul	TBD
Fluoroscence Dye detected	12-Jul	TBD

* Procedure applicable to both cells

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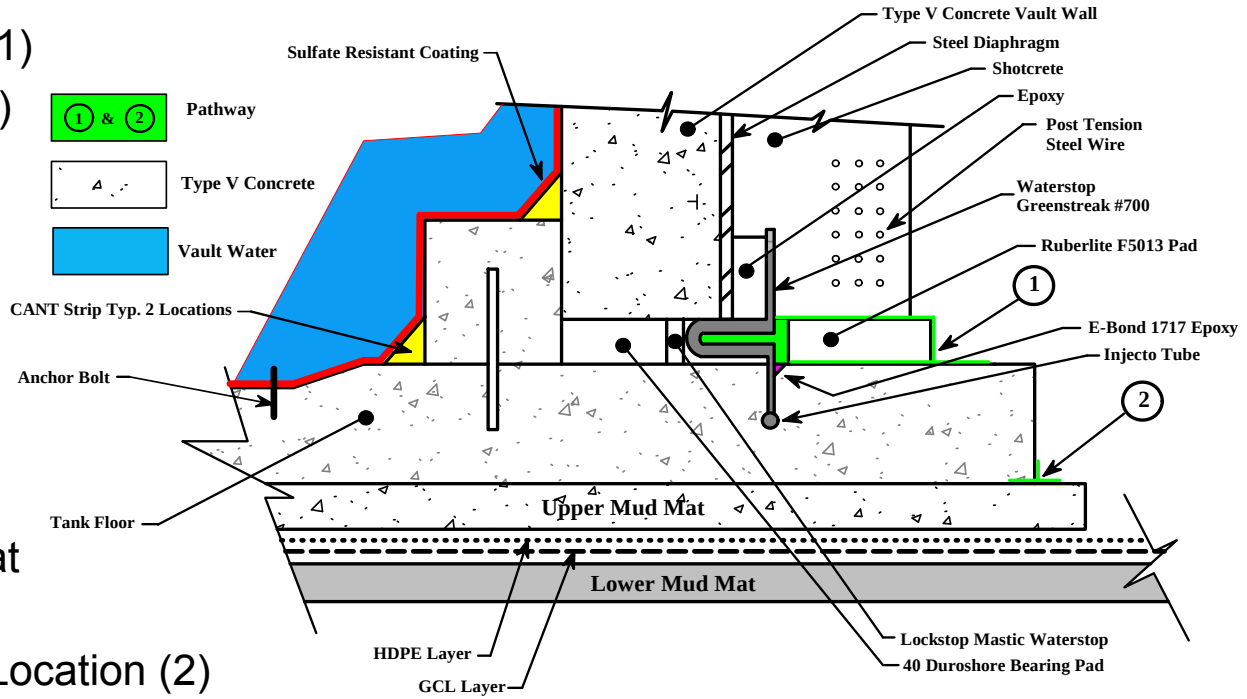
Current Status

- **Cell 2A**

  Undergoing internal assessment, 1st Water Tightness Test
  - Two spots, Location (1)
  - One spot, Location (2)

- **Cell 2B**

  Undergoing drain down, 2nd round of Testing.
  - Resolved 19+ Spots at Location (1)
  - Two spots remain at Location (2)



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Corrective Action Activities to Date:

- Internal

Both 2A and 2B

- Coatings have been inspected by both the coatings installer and the coating manufacturer using combination of visual, soundings, and magnifying devices.
- Coatings flaws associated with installation.
- Rework activities initiated to remove inadequate coatings and reinstall under direct oversight of the coating manufacturer.
- More flexible CIM 1000 used in sensitive areas such as the curb and around anchor bolt locations.

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Corrective Action Activities to Date:

- External (Location 1)

2B Inspection Only

– Inspection found deficiencies with the waterstop (Snakebite) and epoxy injection tubes.

Both 2A and 2B Repairs

– Shotcrete has been removed to expose potential leak sites.
– Suspect epoxy injection tubes have been repaired.
– Waterstop has been repaired.
– 2B repairs were confirmed with second hydrostatic test.
– 2A repairs will be assessed with second hydrostatic test.

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Remaining Corrective Actions:

- External (Location 2)

  Both 2A and 2B

  – Both 2A and 2B display evidence of dye on the cell floor – upper mud mat interface.

  – SRR Engineered Improvements Team formed to evaluate potential corrective actions for 2A and 2B to address stakeholder concerns with the conditions observed at the cell floor – upper mud mat interface.

    - Recommendations will be provided to the Department of Energy August 2010.

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- Focused Management Attention
  - Issue Meetings, War Room
- Resource Augmentation
  - Project Director Realignment
  - Additional Project Manager War Room Leadership
  - Corporate Reachback Support
- SRR Engineered Improvements Team
  - PA, DHEC permit, and consent order requirements are represented
  - Objective is to evaluate solutions that meet expectations of stakeholders
  - Evaluation with Recommendation to Senior Management and DOE-SR

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- Engineering path forward is still under development. Specific stakeholder objectives are:
  - The unit will be watertight
  - The unit will be consistent with the Performance Assessment
- Expect to meet operational need date of October 2011
- Lessons Learned and design recommendations will be incorporated into future units

Acronym List

- DOE-SR — Department of Energy, Savannah River
- FDC — Future Disposal Cell
- SCDHEC — South Carolina, Department of Health and Environmental Control
- SDF — Saltstone Disposal Facility
- SDU — Salt Disposal Unit
- SPF — Saltstone Processing Facility
- SRR — Savannah River Remediation LLC