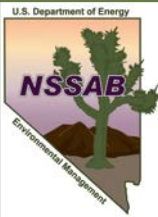


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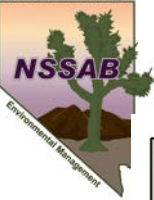
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Donna Hruska, Chair**

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What is the Nevada Site Specific Advisory Board (NSSAB)?

- Group of 15-20 voting members from southern Nevada
- Federally chartered to provide recommendations to the U.S. Department of Energy on environmental management activities at the Nevada National Security Site (NNSS), formerly known as the Nevada Test Site
- Represent Nevada stakeholders with a broad array of perspectives



NSSAB from Diverse Communities

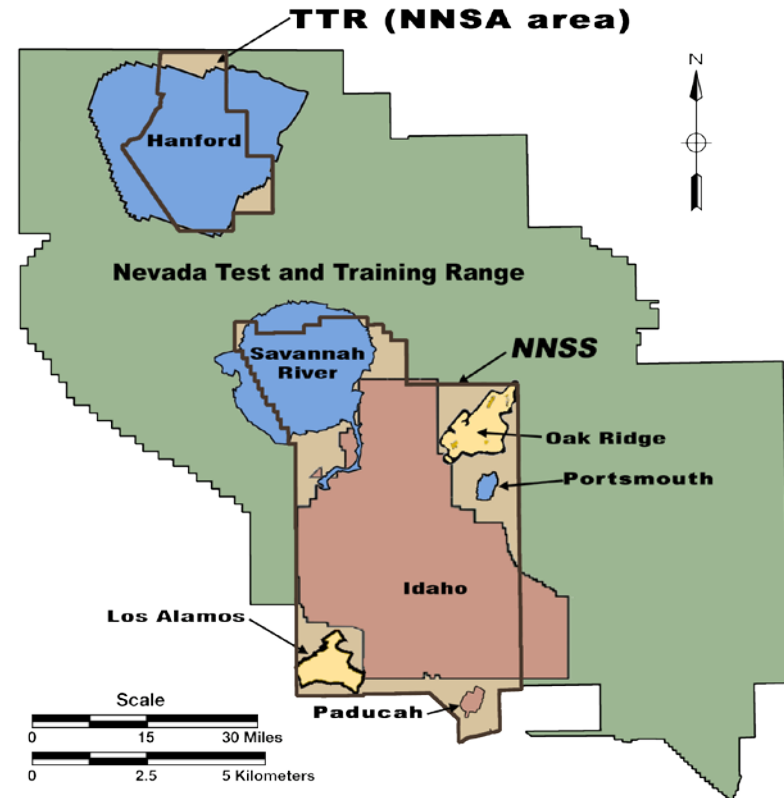


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Background

- NSSAB formed in 1994
- Currently 1 of 8 boards that make up the Environmental Management Site Specific Advisory Board



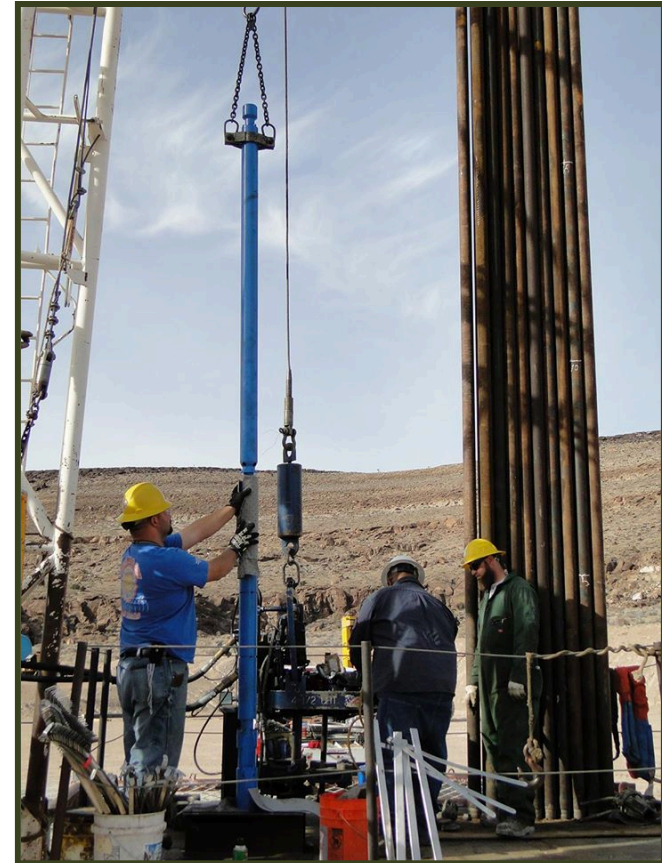
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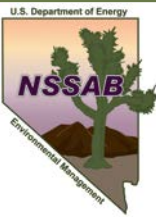
- Develops work plans
- Studies/discusses each Environmental Management work plan item and provides **recommendations** to the Department of Energy
- Department of Energy responds to every NSSAB recommendation



Areas of Focus

- Groundwater
- Soils
- Waste Management/
Transportation
- Budget
- Membership
- Outreach





Groundwater Recommendations

NSSAB provided recommendations to the Department of Energy and enhanced communication to stakeholders regarding groundwater on:

- Ways to improve the groundwater quality assurance plan and/or assessment process



NSSAB Members Shadow Groundwater Assessment

Groundwater Recommendations (continued)

- Ways to improve/enhance communication to the public regarding groundwater at its annual Open House



NSSAB Community Outreach at
Groundwater Open House

Groundwater Recommendations (continued)

- Ways to increase/enhance communication regarding groundwater sampling results to communities near the NNSS



Groundwater Sampling

Groundwater Recommendations (continued)



External Peer Review
for Yucca Flat

- What types of representation should be on the external peer review panel and how the questions could be enhanced

Groundwater Recommendations (continued)

- Ways to enhance the Community Environmental Monitoring Program to better reflect current missions at the NNSS



Community Environmental Monitoring
Program Workshop

Groundwater Recommendations (continued)



- Ways to enhance the proposed concept of an integrated groundwater sampling plan
- Ways that DOE could support the Nye County proposal on groundwater drilling, sampling, and monitoring

Groundwater Recommendations (continued)

- Ways to improve brochure and fact sheet for groundwater activity
- Location for new well site on western region of NNSS

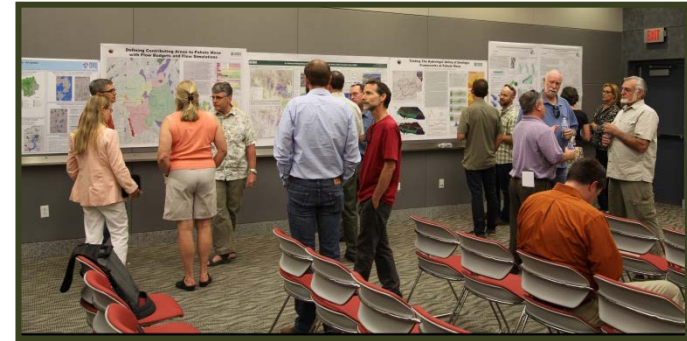


NNSAB Well Visit

Other Recent NSSAB Involvement



Groundwater Briefing During
NNS Tour



Groundwater Technical
Information Exchange



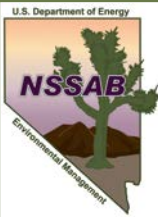
Groundwater Briefing at NSSAB Meeting

National Chairs' Meetings



NSSAB Liaisons





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