

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR WASTE TECHNICAL REVIEW BOARD

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Rescheduled NWTRB Public Meeting to Examine DOE's Plans for Management of Spent Nuclear Fuel and High-Level Radioactive Waste

The U.S. Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board (Board) has rescheduled its public meeting to review information on the U.S. Department of Energy's (DOE) activities to manage spent nuclear fuel and high-level radioactive waste, and to receive program updates from DOE's Office of Nuclear Energy (DOE-NE) to Thursday, November 13, 2025. This meeting was originally scheduled for August 27, 2025. At the meeting, senior leaders from DOE-NE will provide an overview of the activities, plans, and new priorities of the DOE Office of Spent Fuel and High-Level Waste Disposition (NE-8). DOE staff will also provide updates on the activities of the Office of Disposal Research & Development (NE-81), the Office of Storage & Transportation (NE-82), and the Office of Consent-Based Siting (NE-83). A detailed meeting agenda will be available on the Board's website at www.nwtrb.gov approximately one week before the meeting.

On Thursday, November 13, the hybrid (in-person/virtual) meeting will begin at 8:00 a.m. Eastern Standard Time (EST) and is scheduled to adjourn at approximately 4:00 p.m. EST. The Board meeting will be held at the Westin Crystal City Reagan National Airport Hotel at 1800 Richmond Highway in Arlington, Virginia. The hotel telephone number is 703-486-1111. The hotel website is https://www.marriott.com/en-us/hotels/waswi-the-westin-crystal-city-reagan-national-airport/. Details for joining and viewing the meeting online will be available on the Board's website approximately one week before the meeting. Meeting presentations will be available on the Board's website the day before the meeting.

The meeting will be open to the public, and there will be an opportunity for public comment at the end of the meeting. There is no cost to attend. Those attending the meeting in person and wishing to provide oral comments are encouraged to sign-in using the Public

Comment Register at the check-in table near the entrance to the meeting room. Oral commenters will be taken in the order in which they signed in. Public comments may also be submitted during the meeting via the online meeting viewing platform, using the "Comment for the Record" form. Comments submitted online during the day of the meeting may be read into the record by Board staff during the public comment period, if time allows. Depending on the number of speakers and online comments, a time limit on individual remarks may be set. Written comments of any length may be submitted to the Board staff by mail or electronic mail as noted below. Comments received in writing will be included in the meeting record, which will be posted on the Board's website. An archived recording of the meeting will be available on the Board's website following the meeting, and a transcript of the meeting will be available on the website by January 16, 2026.

The Board is an independent federal agency in the Executive Branch. It was established in the Nuclear Waste Policy Amendments Act of 1987 (Public Law 100-203) to perform an ongoing evaluation of the technical and scientific validity of U.S. Department of Energy activities related to developing and implementing a program for the management and disposal of spent nuclear fuel and high-level radioactive waste, in accordance with the terms of the Nuclear Waste Policy Act of 1982, as amended. Board members serve part-time and are appointed by the President from a list of nominees submitted by the National Academy of Sciences. The Board reports its findings, conclusions, and recommendations to Congress and the Secretary of Energy. Board reports, correspondence, congressional testimony, meeting transcripts, and related materials are posted on the Board's website. For information regarding the meeting, contact Mr. Christopher Burk by telephone at 703-235-4486, or via email at burk@nwtrb.gov, or Dr. Hundal "Andy" Jung via email at jung@nwtrb.gov. For information on meeting logistics, contact Ms. Davonya Barnes via email at barnes@nwtrb.gov, or by telephone at 703-235-9141. All three may be reached by mail at 2300 Clarendon Boulevard, Suite 1300, Arlington, VA 222017; or by fax at 703-235-4495.

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