

UNITED STATES NUCLEAR WASTE TECHNICAL REVIEW BOARD

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NWTRB Releases Report Summarizing Activities from January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2024

On September 30, 2025, the U.S. Nuclear Waste Technical Review Board (Board) issued a report on its activities occurring from January 1, 2022, to December 31, 2024. The Board's *Report to The U.S. Congress and The Secretary of Energy* is the latest in a series of "summary" reports, which have been issued periodically since the beginning of Board operations in 1989, and which chronicle Board activities, findings, and official recommendations. Unlike most Board reports, this new Report is archival in nature and does not break new ground. Rather, it documents Board activities, findings, and recommendations for the reporting period. For example, in February 2024, the Board produced a report on its multi-year review of the U.S. Department of Energy's (DOE) research and development activities related to the disposition of commercial SNF stored inside U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission approved dry-storage casks at independent spent fuel storage installations.

The new summary report and other Board reports, correspondence, congressional testimony, meeting transcripts, and other materials are available on the Board's website at www.nwtrb.gov.

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 DOE activities related to developing and implementing a program for the management and disposal of SNF and HLW, in accordance with the terms of the Nuclear Waste Policy Act, 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.

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