

Department of Energy Public Comment Period for Stabilizing Disposal Structures at Risk of Failure

COMMENT DEADLINE: June 29, 2020

Send Comments by *June 29, 2020*:

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Sample Comments Prepared by Hanford Challenge

Dear Ms. Colborn,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide public comment on the Time-Critical Removal Action for Stabilizing Disposal Structures at Risk of Failure. I am writing because I care about protecting future generations and the environment from Hanford's contamination. I care about worker, public, and environmental safety and support efforts to prevent catastrophic failure at the Hanford site. I also believe in transparency and accountability.

Thank you for considering my comments:

- **Look at other options to stabilize these specific sites** before filling them with grout, especially options that would make removal of the contamination easier, safer and happen sooner.
- **Don't grout the sites and walk away.** I need more assurance that the plutonium contaminated waste will be removed, treated, and disposed to isolate it from the environment and public.
- **Default to Non-Time Critical Removal Actions in the future** (unless it is a site at imminent risk of failure). Non-Time Critical Removal Actions require site-specific analysis and deliberation process that increases transparency and involves the public earlier in the decision-making process.

Sincerely,

[Your Name]