

# Notes from June 2011 Chairs Meeting

Nevada National Safety Site - Las Vegas, Nevada



- EM Program faces many challenges with budget and managing liabilities
  - Tighter budgets are projected for the near future
  - EM is working to prove itself “investment worthy”
  - EM has reduced its footprint from 3,125 sq. miles (1989) to 90 sq. miles (2015)
  - 2020 Cleanup Vision: EM will finish virtually all cleanup of legacy waste. Hanford will be only large site left, with minor cleanup remaining at SRS, PORTS, and Oak Ridge
  - Nationally, funding for transition of GDP and D&D is not yet on the radar

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- Focus Areas for the EM SSAB
  - Budget Priorities
  - Waste Disposition Strategies
  - Public Involvement
- Funding for Paducah for Base Program (\$ in thousands)
  - FY 2009 Recovery – 80,400\*
  - FY 2010 Cong. Request – 144,857
  - FY 2010 Current Enacted – 165,127
  - FY 2011 Cong. Request – 145,000
  - FY 2011 Operating Plan – 144,370\*
  - FY 2012 Cong. Request – 143,769

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- Issues/concerns that were raised by the Chairs
  - Feasibility of 2020 Cleanup Vision
  - Difficulty of maintaining workforce/momentum with upcoming budget cuts
  - Understanding a path forward for recycling metals
  - Long term disposal options at WIPP, NNSS and the need for a high- level waste repository (Yucca Mountain)
  - EM-1's lack of attendance

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- Recommendations from the Chairs  
(*pending Board approvals*)
  - **Authorizing Funds for Movement of Historical/Cultural Artifacts**
  - **Using Rail Transport for Moving Waste**
  - **Asset Retention**
- Fall Chairs Meeting
  - Appears that Meeting will be postponed until April, 2012