

DOE Supplement Analysis (SA) and Issuance of Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for the existing Environmental Assessment (EA) of Feral Swine Damage Management in South Carolina

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Savannah River Field Office (SRFO) proposes to continue a program piloted by the U.S. Forest Service – Savannah River (USFS-SR) for removing feral swine across Savannah River Site (SRS) via aerial shooting in coordination with the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) Wildlife Service (WS). A Supplement Analysis and revised Finding of No Significant Impact to the Final Feral Swine Damage Management Environmental Assessment (FSDM EA), DOE/EA-2243 have been prepared, which assessed the potential environmental impacts of the proposed change.

DOE-SRFO has prepared this SA in order to expand feral swine removal via aerial shooting into areas on SRS damaged by feral swine not previously analyzed in the Final FSDM EA. The pilot removal program evaluated in the Final FSDM EA was limited to some less accessible areas on SRS during the winter season. The pilot project proved safe, effective, and efficient, with a reduction rate in the population comparable to, if not better than, the current ground-trapping program. The USFS-SR proposes to continue its agreement with the USDA APHIS for the WS program to conduct periodic feral swine removal events via aerial shooting across SRS. DOE-SRFO has reviewed the SA and based on the scope of the action being proposed issues a FONSI.

- DOE/EA-2243-SA-01, Feral Swine Damage Management in South Carolina, <u>DOE/EA-2243-SA-01</u>: <u>Supplement Analysis for</u> the Feral Swine Damage Management in South Carolina | Department of Energy
- DOE/EA-2243-SA-01, Feral Swine Damage Management in South Carolina, Revised Finding of No Significant Impact for Continued Feral Swine Damage Management at the Savannah River Site

DOE is committed to meeting its obligations under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) as it explores effective measures in managing its natural resources and promoting environmental stewardship.

DOE's NEPA documents are available on the SRS website: https://www.srs.gov/general/pubs/envbul/nepa1.htm

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

For further information about this Notice, please contact Ms. Tracy Williams, NEPA Compliance Officer, National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA), Savannah River Field Office, PO Box A, Aiken, SC 29802; email: NEPA-SRS-NNSA@srs.gov.

The SRS Environmental Bulletin

For additional information, contact:

Barbara Smoak

Savannah River Nuclear Solutions

Aiken, S.C. 29808

(803) 952-8060

email: barbara.smoak@srs.gov

Add to mail list	Ocrrect my address	Remove from mail list
Name		
Mailing Address		
E-mail Address		

Mail to: SRS Environmental Bulletin

Savannah River Site, Building 730-1B

Aiken, SC 29808

Save a stamp! E-mail your changes to <u>barbara.smoak@srs.gov</u>

The SRS
Environmental Bulletin
Savannah River Site
Building 730-1B
Aiken, S.C. 29808

1 1000