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Industrial Wastewater Closure Module for F-Area Diversion Boxes 5 and 6, F-Area Tank Farm, Savannah River Site

Available for Public Comment

Background:

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Savannah River Operations Office has requested approval from the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) of the Industrial Wastewater Closure Module for F-Area Diversion Boxes 5 and 6, F-Area Tank Farm, Savannah River Site (SRS) to support the removal from service of these ancillary structures. The Consolidated General Closure Plan, approved on May 22, 2017, established the protocols by which DOE would: (1) close SRS F-Area Tank Farm (FTF) and H-Area Tank Farm (HTF) waste tank systems, including ancillary structures, in accordance with South Carolina Regulations R.61-82, "Proper Closeout of Wastewater Treatment Facilities," and R.61-67, "Standards for Wastewater Facility Construction" and other programs; and, (2) obtain approval from DHEC for subsequent waste tank and ancillary structure system-specific closure modules. The subject F Area Diversion Boxes 5 and 6 Closure Module, available for public review and comment, describes the processes by which DOE determined the remaining residual material inventories, evaluated the potential F-Area Diversion Boxes 5 and 6 impact on the FTF performance objectives, and plans for isolation and stabilization of the ancillary structures. The FTF and HTF are managed under Industrial Wastewater Construction Permit #17,424-IW.

Plan Availability:

The F-Area Diversion Boxes 5 and 6 Closure Module is available in the Administrative record. The Administrative Record is available in the information repositories listed below:

- DOE Public Reading Room located in the Gregg-Graniteville Library at the University of South Carolina (USC) Aiken campus in Aiken, SC; and
- Thomas Cooper Library Government Information and Maps Department at USC in Columbia, SC.

Hard copies of the Closure Module are available at the following locations during the public comment period:

- Reese Library Government Information Department at Augusta University in Augusta, GA; and
- Asa H. Gordon Library at Savannah State University in Savannah, GA.

The Closure Module is also available electronically at the following address: <https://epermweb.dhec.sc.gov/publicnotice> (under the heading SRS F-Area Diversion Boxes 5 and 6 Closure Module).

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Information:

A virtual public meeting will be held on April 14, 2021 at 6:30 pm. Representatives from SRS and DHEC will be available to summarize the F-Area Diversion Boxes 5 and 6 Closure Module and answer questions from meeting attendees. The purpose of the public meeting is to provide any additional information helpful to understand the F-Area Diversion Boxes 5 and 6 Closure Module and to allow the public an opportunity to comment. This event will be held using an online platform and interested persons can join or participate remotely using a phone or computer.

DHEC has established a webpage specifically for this project at www.scdhec.gov/SRS. Registration prior to participation in the meeting is encouraged. Anyone planning to participate in the public meeting should visit the webpage and complete the registration form prior to the public meeting date. Everyone who completes the registration form will be provided instructions on how to join the public meeting. Information on how to access the virtual meeting will be sent out on the day of the meeting to all who have registered to participate in the meeting. All materials discussed during the public meeting will be posted on the webpage.

If you are unable to access the webpage, or have questions about participating, please call (803) 898-4096 no later than 3 days prior to the public meeting .

Input/Comments:

A 30-day public comment period for review of the subject F-Area Diversion Boxes 5 and 6 Closure Module begins April 5, 2021 and will conclude May 5, 2021. To provide public comment, please do so in writing by May 5, 2021. Comments will be considered in DHEC's final decision. Please send your comments to Fatina A. W. Clark, SCDHEC/ Water, 2600 Bull Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29201-1708 or by e-mail at clarkfaw@dhec.sc.gov.

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