



U.S. DEPARTMENT OF **ENERGY**

DOE Releases Adaptive Management Plan for the Rocky Flats Site

The U.S. Department of Energy has released an Adaptive Management Plan (AMP) as part of the mitigation and monitoring program in relation to the Rocky Flats Surface Water Configuration Environmental Assessment (EA). The AMP is available on the DOE Legacy Management Rocky Flats Site website at http://www.lm.doe.gov/Rocky_Flats_AMP.pdf.

During the EA process, and in response to public comments, the DOE Office of Legacy Management decided that a follow-up monitoring plan was appropriate for the Proposed Action. The AMP was developed in accordance with nationwide guidance using a cooperative effort among the DOE and the AMP Group, which consists of stakeholders representing neighboring communities, including local, state and federal elected officials and agencies.

Implementation of the AMP does not change the findings of the EA, but provides for additional site monitoring information in response to concerns expressed by stakeholders during the EA public review process. The AMP was incorporated by reference into the EA and decision document as an additional monitoring plan.

The AMP requires ongoing communication with the interested parties. DOE intends to continue the cooperative process during the AMP's implementation. DOE will routinely post monitoring data, provide periodic reports, and continue briefings and discussions with the AMP Group and other interested members of the public throughout the duration of the AMP. The communication approach that DOE is using serves to fulfill the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) goal of ensuring transparency and openness by making relevant and useful environmental information available to decision makers and the public.

DOE and the AMP Group will also review the AMP and the monitoring data and evaluation at least every two years to determine whether any revisions to the AMP are appropriate. As tasks are accomplished, or other needs are identified, the AMP will be updated through the cooperative process between DOE and the AMP Group.

If you have any difficulty accessing the AMP or other related information, or have any questions, please contact:

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