

# Hanford Site Air Operating Permit Renewal 3 Public Comment Period



## Public Comment Period

December 17, 2017, through  
February 16, 2018

### Submit comments to:

Electronically (preferred) via:

[http://wt.ecology.commentinput.com/  
/?id=Urk6K](http://wt.ecology.commentinput.com/?id=Urk6K)

By U.S. Mail or hand-deliver to:

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## Public Meeting

A public meeting is not scheduled, but if there is enough interest, we will consider holding one. To request a meeting or for more information, contact:

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509-372-7950  
[Hanford@ecy.wa.gov](mailto:Hanford@ecy.wa.gov)

## Special Accommodations

To request ADA accommodation, including materials in a format for the visually impaired, call the Nuclear Waste Program at 509-372-7950.

Persons with impaired hearing may call Washington Relay Service at 711.  
Persons with speech disability may call TTY at 877-833-6341.

## Public comment invited

Washington Department of Ecology invites you to comment on the draft permit renewal of the Hanford Site Air Operating Permit (AOP) No. 00-05-006 Renewal 3. Due to the large volume of support documents, we are holding a 60-day comment period.

## Background

The State's regulations for control of air emissions limit the duration of an AOP to five years. The current Hanford Site AOP expires on March 31, 2018. A new AOP is needed as the Hanford Site still has air emissions. Ecology received the renewal application form from the U.S. Department of Energy on September 12, 2017, and determined the application was complete on November 7, 2017. During the permit renewal process the existing AOP (No. 00-05-006 Renewal 2, Rev. B) remains in effect.

## About the permit

Congress amended the federal Clean Air Act in 1990 by creating AOPs for industrial sources of air pollution. An AOP brings all applicable air requirements into one document. In 1991, the Washington State Legislature updated the Washington Clean Air Act (RCW 70.94) to make it consistent with these changes. In 1993, Ecology developed Washington's AOP regulation (WAC 173-401) to comply with federal regulations. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency granted the state the authority to implement the AOP regulations in November 1994. The Hanford Site AOP was first issued in June 2001.

Three agencies administer the Hanford Site AOP. Ecology regulates the nonradioactive criteria and toxic air emissions. The Washington State Department of Health regulates all radioactive air emissions. The Benton Clean Air Authority administers outdoor burning.

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### Hanford's Information Repositories and Document Review Locations

#### WASHINGTON

##### Richland

Ecology Nuclear Waste Program  
Resource Center  
3100 Port of Benton Blvd.  
Richland, WA 99354  
509-372-7950

U.S. Department of Energy  
Administrative Record  
2440 Stevens Drive, Room 1101  
Richland, WA 99354  
509-376-2530

Washington State University Tri-Cities  
Department of Energy Reading Room  
2770 Crimson Way, Room 101L  
Richland, WA 99354  
509-375-7443

##### Seattle

University of Washington, Suzzallo Library  
P.O. Box 352900  
Seattle, WA 98195  
206-543-5597

##### Spokane

Gonzaga University, Foley Center  
502 E Boone Avenue  
Spokane, WA 99258  
509-313-6110

#### OREGON

##### Portland

Portland State University, Millar Library  
1875 SW Park Avenue  
Portland, OR 97207  
503-725-4542