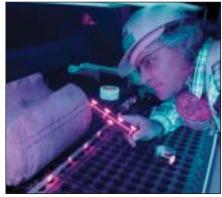
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Environmental Restoration: Fernald Ecologists and Engineers Integrate Restoration and Cleanup

While cleanup workers excavate pits and tear down buildings, Fernald ecologists are working side by side with them to create thriving wetlands and develop the early stages of forest, prairie, and savanna ecosystems.

The Strontium Garden: Cleanup of One of Hanford F Area's Last Research Stations

Back in the 1950s, scientists added small amounts of strontium and cesium to soil in a small plot at Hanford to measure uptake of radionuclides in plants. Today, the plot has been cleaned up, and full remediation lies ahead.

Doin' What Comes Naturally: Natural Remediation at Savannah River Site Natural remediation methods take advantage of natural processes to restore a contaminated medium to a condition that is protective of human health and the environment.

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Vogtle's New Radwaste Processing Facility

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Keeping Our WITS About Us: LANL's Cradle-to-Grave Waste Tracking System 38 LANL's innovative tracking system improves accountability, eliminates a paper trail, and reduces inventory time.

What's Next for Yucca Mountain?

For the DOE, the focus of studies and work at Yucca Mountain now shifts to the license application. For the state of Nevada, however, the effort to undermine the program is

Foundation Pouring Begins for Hanford Vit Plant

The first structural concrete was placed in July for the basemat of the low-activity waste vitrification facility.

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Tree planting is part of the environmental restoration effort at Fernald. The article beginning on page 12 discusses the many aspects of environmental remediation work at the site. (Photo courtesy Fluor Fernald.)

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