# ROCKY FLATS STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL

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# Monthly Status Report – June 2017

# **Board Meeting Summary**

#### 2016 Stewardship Council audit

The auditor did not find any material deficiencies and issued a clean audit. The Board voted to accept the audit.

## **DOE Annual Meeting**

The Stewardship Council hosted DOE's annual update for 2016. Updates included:

- groundwater monitoring;
- surface water monitoring;
- ecological monitoring; and,
- surveillance, maintenance and site operations.

DOE's presentation can be found at: <a href="http://www.lm.doe.gov/Rocky\_Flats/Documents.aspx">http://www.lm.doe.gov/Rocky\_Flats/Documents.aspx</a> (click on link titled: "Overview of the Annual Report of Site Surveillance and Maintenance Activities at the Rocky Flats Site.")

#### **Legacy Management Monthly Site Activities Summary**

DOE reports site personnel conducted the following activities in May.

#### **Groundwater Treatment Systems**

- <u>East Trenches Plume Treatment System (ETPTS)</u>: DOE reports the system, which now includes treating contaminated water that was previously treated by the Mound Site Plume Treatment System, is working as designed.
- Solar Ponds Plume Treatment System (SPPTS): DOE reports the system is working as designed.

# Original Landfill (OLF)

- Installed seven geoprobe wells on the OLF hillside and on the pediment above the OLF.
- Replaced five existing piezometers that had steel pipe screens with PVC prepacked screens. The goal is to increase their effectiveness.
- Water level measurements in the new piezometers just upgradient and downgradient of the OLF East Subsurface Drain (ESSD) indicate that the ESSD is functioning well. There is approximately a 12-foot drop in water level from the upgradient side to the downgradient side.

#### North Walnut Creek Slump

• Installed four geoprobe wells along the SPPTS collection trench to evaluate groundwater levels near the North Walnut Creek slump.

- Regraded the slump behind the A-series pond road.
- Started re-grading and crack repairs at the North Walnut Creek slump.

#### **Ecology**

- Conducted erosion control and wetland water level surveys.
- Installed wattles along the ETPTS at selected locations. The purpose is to reduce the width of the road.
- Conducted prairie dog surveys of current and previously occupied prairie dog town. Only the one town north of the A-4 pond outside the Central Operable Unit on the Rocky Flats refuge had any prairie dogs.
- Counted spring survival of woody plants at habitat enhancement locations.
- Conducted nest survey of general project areas. No nests were found. Installed coyote cutouts and reflectors to deter nesting birds from using the area

### **Stewardship Council Update**

Upcoming 2017 Board meetings: September 11, October 30