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RESPONSE TO THE COMMUNITY ADVISORY BOARD (CAB) FOR NEVADA TEST SITE PROGRAMS FISCAL YEAR (FY) 2011 SUB-PROJECT PRIORITIZATION

Each year the CAB Budget Committee meets with Nevada Site Office Environmental Management (EM) staff to discuss the baseline activities for the out-years. This year the CAB Budget Committee focused on the FY 2011 sub-project prioritizations.

After receiving the CAB's letter, dated April 12, 2009, I met with EM staff and conducted a similar ranking system. The chart below illustrates both the CAB's ranking and EM's ranking.

FY 2011		
Sub-Project	CAB Ranking	NSO EM Ranking
Underground Test Area	1	1
Low-Level Waste	2	2
Industrial Sites	3	3
Soils	4	4

The EM Program at the Nevada Site Office and the CAB have ranked the FY 2011 sub-projects in the same order. I believe this is a good example of how the Nevada Site Office incorporates the public's recommendations and advice into its activities.

I would like to extend my gratitude to the CAB Budget Committee for taking the time to meet with EM staff and evaluating the sub-projects. The CAB's sub-project prioritization recommendation is a vital factor for EM when determining where funding should be focused.

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If you have questions regarding EM's ranking please contact Kelly Snyder, of my staff, at (702) 295-2836.



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