

## SRS Citizen's Advisory Board

## Recommendation No. 30

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## Recommendation on the Rocky Flats Plutonium EIS Scope

The SRS Citizens Advisory Board recognizes that SRS may well be part of the preferred option in the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) that will be prepared for the management of plutonium residues and scrub alloy currently stored at Rocky Flats Environmental Technology Site. The existing facilities at SRS as well as current stabilization programs of similar materials provide compelling reasons for careful consideration of this site in the management of the Rocky Flats materials. The Board strongly recommends that the evaluation of employing SRS facilities and personnel includes:

- Consideration of the impact of the Rocky Flats materials on the programs for stabilization, storage and disposition of materials already at SRS. The decision should not adversly impact the current stabilization of SRS materials.
- Identification of all facilities, equipment and staffing necessary to assure safe receipt, handling, treatment and storage of these materials in preparation for final disposition.
- Careful evaluation of the total budgetary support that would be required for such a program at SRS.

We are in a period in which the stakeholders of the region are already seeing budget reductions combined with new responsibilities for SRS in the safe disposition of spent or waste nuclear materials. Any decision to bring additional Rocky Flats residue to SRS without a fully defined subsequent plan that includes a commitment for the necessary fiscal support would generate the highest level of concern within the CAB and throughout the states of South Carolina and Georgia.

## Agency Responses

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