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NOTICE**

## ***INEEL invites public to comment on implementation plan for Long-Term Stewardship***

**T**he U.S. Department of Energy is asking for public comment on the plan for implementing a site-wide Long-Term Stewardship program at the Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory. Comments will be taken through August 15.

After the cleanup mission is complete at the INEEL, the Long-Term Stewardship program will continue to ensure cleanup measures remain protective of human health and the environment. The program will also ensure that records and information about cleanup projects and land use remain available for local, state and federal agency decision makers now and in the future.

In 2001, the INEEL established the Long-Term Stewardship program.

Members of its staff consulted with stakeholders from around the state to establish goals for the program. Those goals were outlined in a Strategic Plan issued in September 2002. To make sure the Long-Term Stewardship program will meet those goals, the DOE is asking stakeholders to review and comment on its draft implementation plan.

As the name implies, the Long-Term Stewardship program is responsible for a wide array of activities over a long period of time, including managing the natural environment, protecting historic and cultural resources, enforcing institutional controls, operating long-term groundwater treatment processes, long-term record-keeping, and promoting stakeholder involvement and communication.

More information about the INEEL Long-Term Stewardship Program is available online at <http://www.inel.gov/environment/ineel-lts.shtml>. The Implementation Plan is available for download from a link on the LTS website. An online comment form is available so interested stakeholders can provide their comments electronically.

For those who prefer to submit comments in writing, comments can also be mailed to:

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