

**Work Plan for the Oak Ridge Reservation Communities Alliance (ORRCA)
FY17 (July 1, 2016 thru June 30, 2017)**

Scope of Services:

A.2. The Grantee shall support implementation of the Tennessee Oversight Interlocal Agreement (TOIA)

The Tennessee Oversight Agreement (TOA) between the State of Tennessee and the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) will continue for a new five year term beginning July 1, 2016. Thus, the TOIA will be renewed and will continue to serve as the framework for the operation of ORRCA. ORRCA will continue to conduct outreach and educational activities to the public and potentially affected local governments.

A.3. The Grantee shall promote local government involvement and public awareness in the continued operations of the Oak Ridge Reservation facilities, including, but not limited to the environmental restoration process.

ORCCA will continue to collaborate among the regional local governments to promote better understanding of the continued operations of the Oak Ridge Reservation facilities, including the environmental management and emergency response programs. Participation with DOE, TDEC, and TEMA officials in meetings, such as those listed in this plan as "Upcoming Meetings of Interest," will be instrumental in educating local officials in support of the grant scope.

During FY17 particular emphasis will be placed on:

- Providing input on prioritization of Environmental Management Projects and Budgets
- Implementation of Federal Facility Agreement (FFA) Priority Projects
- Emergency Response Planning and Training related to the ORR
- Environmental Management activities related to compliance with the National Historic Preservation Act and the Manhattan Project National Historical Park

A.4. The Grantee shall disseminate accurate and factual information concerning present or proposed activities related to continued operations of the Oak Ridge Reservation facilities.

During FY17 particular emphasis will be placed on:

- Enhancing public education through dissemination of information on ORRCA's website
- Enhancing public education about the quality of the natural environment in Oak Ridge and host counties through a coordinated communications campaign
- Evaluating public education opportunities in consultation with citizen advisory boards and other local and regional organizations
- Educating local officials and other stakeholders from other DOE sites about ORR facilities and activities
- Achieving a better understanding of the relative risk associated with the ORR in order to enhance off-site emergency planning and response

A.5. The Grantee shall identify local concerns and issues relevant to the operation of the Oak Ridge Reservation and environs and present concerns to the State of Tennessee and the Department of Energy during the selection of annual work and budget priorities.

ORCCA will continue to engage with the State and DOE to improve understanding of local government and community concerns.

During FY17 ORCCA particular emphasis will be placed on:

- Continued emphasis on reducing/mitigating/eliminating off-site impacts
- Modernization of infrastructure needed to support the ongoing environmental management mission and to complete the reindustrialization of ETP
- Potential impacts associated with delays in disposal of Transuranic Waste due to the closure of the WIPP facility in New Mexico
- Storage and disposal of mercury contaminated waste and soils
- Expediting studies related to treatment and reduction of mercury
- Risk Communication, including signage and other written communications
- Environmental Management activities that will help facilitate and expedite interpretation of historic properties
- Transfer of excess/underutilized property for economic and community development
- CERCLA's Natural Resources Damages Assessment study and mitigation for the ORR

A.6. The Grantee shall prepare special studies and reports, as needed, to educate local officials and further public information.

During FY17 particular emphasis will be placed on:

- Review and assessment of projects related to the cleanup of the Oak Ridge Reservation and related offsite activities such as restoration of groundwater and fish
- Communications regarding natural and community assets in the Oak Ridge area
- Continue to provide input into how financial performance bonds are assessed on companies which store and treat DOE waste
- Legislative and Administrative activities at the Federal and State levels related to the temporary storage and permanent disposal of nuclear waste

Upcoming Meetings of Interest:

**Implementation of the Manhattan Project
National Historical Park**

Energy Communities Alliance Peer Exchange

August 18-19, 2016

Location: Denver, CO

Safety Fest TN 2016

Sponsored by: Oak Ridge Business Safety Partnership

September 12-16, 2016

Location: New Hope Center

DOE National Cleanup Workshop

Co-sponsored by Energy Communities Alliance

September 14-15, 2016

Location: Alexandria, VA

DOE Annual Intergovernmental Meeting

Location: New Orleans, LA

November 16-18, 2016

Energy Communities Alliance Annual Meeting

Location TBD

Spring 2017