

Consent-Based Siting

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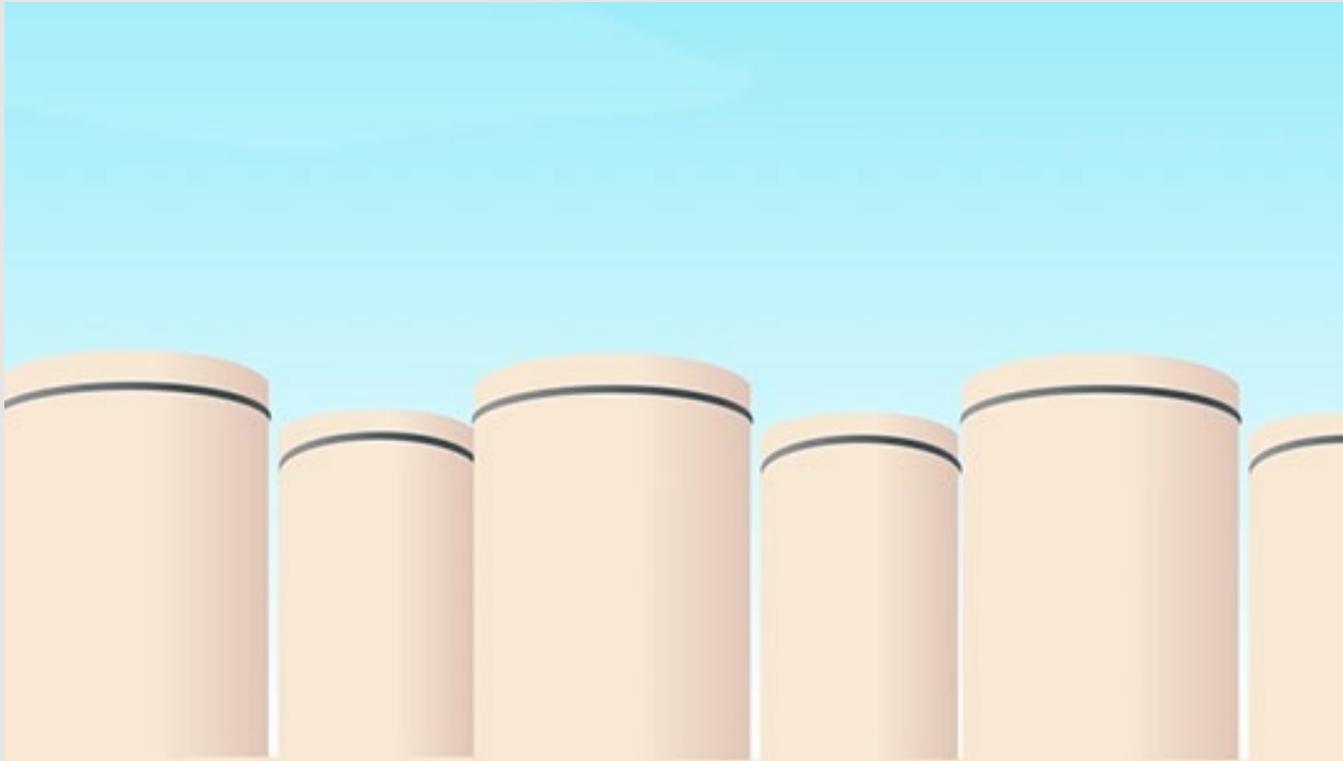
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Integrated Waste Management

- As we continue to deploy nuclear energy as a solution for decarbonization, increasing access to energy, and tackling climate change, we need to make progress on the back end of the fuel cycle
- The Department of Energy is responsible for managing the nation's spent nuclear fuel and high-level radioactive waste, including finding sites to store and dispose of the spent nuclear fuel
- An integrated waste management system will include consolidated interim storage, permanent disposal, and transportation capabilities.



Interim Storage

- Allow for removal of spent nuclear fuel from reactor sites
- Provide useful research opportunities
- Build trust and confidence with stakeholders
- Begin to address taxpayer liability

Consent-Based Siting

- Consent-based siting is an approach to siting facilities that focuses on the needs and concerns of people and communities.
- By prioritizing communities and people, we believe we can find a solution to the decades-long stalemate on managing the nation's spent nuclear.
- A consent-based approach, driven by community well-being and community needs, is both the right thing to do and our best chance for success.



Notice of Request for Information (RFI) on Using a Consent-Based Siting Process To Identify Federal Interim Storage Facilities

A Notice by the [Energy Department](#) on 12/01/2021



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AGENCY:

Office of Spent Fuel and Waste Disposition, Office of Nuclear Energy,
Department of Energy.



ACTION:

Request for information.



SUMMARY:

The Office of Nuclear Energy (NE), U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), requests information on how to site Federal facilities for the temporary, consolidated storage of spent nuclear fuel using a consent-based approach. DOE anticipates that communities; governments at the local, State, and Tribal levels; members of



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Request for Information

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for Consolidated Storage and
Disposal Facilities for Spent
Nuclear Fuel and High-Level
Radioactive Waste

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Next Steps

1

Analyzing
responses to RFI

2

Further developing
consent-based
siting process

3

Clarifying our
broader strategy for
an integrated waste
management
system

4

Issuing a funding
opportunity for
interested groups
and communities
later this year



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