



Draft Site-Wide Environmental
Impact Statement for the
Oak Ridge Y-12 Plant
U.S. Department of Energy

Written Comment Form

*Please, let's clean up
the Y-12 site properly instead
of continuing to endanger workers,
community residents and the environment
for yet more bomb-building efforts,
which we don't need and which
violate International Law.*

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DOE recognizes that it has facilities which require some level of environmental cleanup. Most of the facilities at Y-12 were designed and constructed in the 1940s and 1950s, prior to today's environmental requirements when the understanding of waste management principles was not what it is today. Over the past several years, DOE has had a very aggressive facility upgrade and clean-up program and has worked with EPA, the states, stakeholders, and the general public to clean up its facilities to acceptable levels. To date, DOE has completed numerous clean-up activities and is aggressively working toward the cleanup of its remaining environmental problems. Actions taken to continue Y-12 weapons support missions, and construction and operation of new facilities for the HEU Materials and Special Materials missions at Y-12 would not be inconsistent with nor impact these ongoing clean-up activities.

The proposed action and alternatives analyzed in the Y-12 SWEIS address the continued operation of the the assigned nuclear weapons stockpile management requirement of Y-12. There is no proposal to expand capabilities or to increase nuclear weapons production at Y-12. Parties to the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty agree not to directly or indirectly transfer nuclear weapons or other nuclear explosive devices or control over them to any recipient; and not to in any way assist, encourage, or induce nonnuclear weapon states to manufacture or alter use, or acquire nuclear weapons, or alter nuclear explosive devices or control over them. Continuation of Y-12 mission, and construction and operation of the proposed HEU Materials Facility and the Special Materials Complex does not conflict with such an agreement. The proposed action, which includes continuing weapons dismantlement activities at Y-12, fully supports the goals of Article VI of the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty.