PROJECT OVERVIEW FOR SM-1A FORT GREELY, AK DEACTIVATED NUCLEAR POWER PLANT PROGRAM

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TOPICS

- Historical Overview
 - US Army Nuclear Power Program
 - Deactivated Nuclear Power Plant Program
- Decommissioning Planning





U.S. ARMY NUCLEAR POWER PROGRAM

- Six DoD Power Reactors Fielded During 1957 to 1976
 - Four Army, One Air Force, One Navy
- Two at National Reactor Testing Station
- Three Deactivated Army Reactors Remain
 - Nuclear Fuel and Control Rods Removed and Returned to Atomic Energy Commission
 - Facilities Decontaminated to the Extent Practicable and Placed into "Safe-Storage"
 - Deactivated Reactor Facilities Continuously Monitored Since Shutdown to Ensure Safety of Soldiers, Families, and DoD Civilians











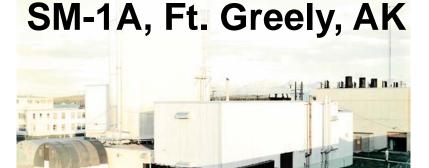






Deactivated Army Reactors During Operation 1957-1976









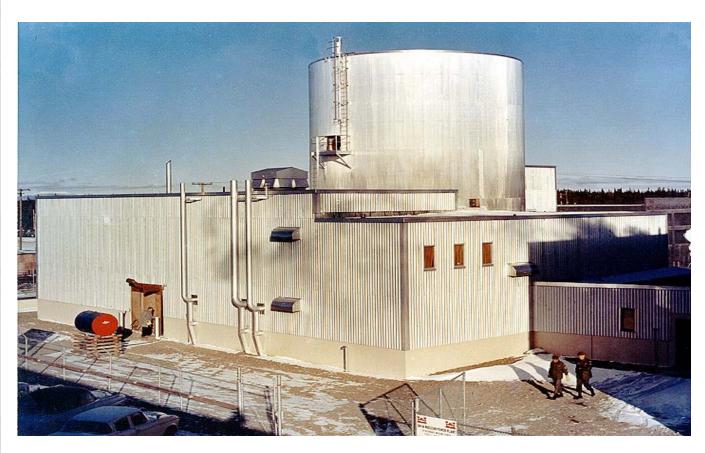
DEACTIVATED NUCLEAR POWER PLANT PROGRAM

- Mission of the DNPPP is to:
 - Ensure Security of the Residual Radioactive Materials Remaining at the Sites
 - Ensure Structural Integrity of Deactivated Reactor Facilities
 - Implement Environmental Monitoring Programs
 - Plan and Perform Final Decommissioning





SM-1A OPERATION AT FORT GREELY, AK



- Stationary, Medium Power, Prototype
- 20 MWt; 1,640 KWe
- First pressure suppression containment
- First steam generator replacement in US
- Deactivated, reactor areas encased, secondary systems converted to fuel boilers





SM-1A TIMELINE: DETAILS

- SM-1A Construction Start: 1958
- SM-1A Reactor Startup: March 1962
 - Core II installed: April 1964
 - Core III installed: Jan 1966
 - Core IV installed: Aug 1970
- Pressure Vessel Annealed: Aug 1967
- Last Operation: March 1972
- Minimal Decommissioning and Entombment: 1973
 - Deactivated, reactor areas encased, secondary systems converted to fuel boilers
- USACHPPM Survey: June 1997
- BRAC Pipeline and Dilution Well Removal: 1997-2000
- Core Component Activation Analysis: 2008
- USACE Historical Site Assessment: 2008
- USACE Gamma Walkover Report: 2011
- USACE Characterization Survey Report: 2014









SM-1A PRE/POST-SHUTDOWN DECOMMISSIONING ACTIVITIES

- Decontamination of primary and secondary systems
- Encasement of Vapor Container, Spent Fuel Pit, hot waste tanks, pipe pit, dilution station, condenser deck, fuel storage vault, and Building J5 floor
- Placed a time capsule
- Shipped fuel elements and control rods
- Transferred calibration sources
- Disposed of radioactive wastes
- Removal of wastewater pipeline and dilution station







SM-1A DECOMMISSIONING PLANNING

- Decommissioning Planning is underway anticipate completion by 2021
 - Scope includes:
 - Review of historical documents associated with the All Hazards Analysis
 - Prepare planning documents that will support the Army Reactor Office issuing the USACE a decommissioning permit for the SM-1A reactor
 - Comply with other relevant Federal and State requirements that will support the long-term decommissioning planning
 - Ensure adherence of project activities to Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), Army, and Federal standards and guidance, as well as, other Federal standards and guidance where relevant, and
 - Coordinate with appropriate federal, state, and public parties to support issuance of decommissioning permit and other National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requirements

Major Decommissioning Planning Documents

- Final Disposal Plan, Schedule and Cost Estimate
- Waste Management Plan
- Environmental Assessment
- Section 106 Effects Assessment and agreement document
- Decommissioning Plan





SM-1A CONTRACT ACQUISITION APPROACH

- Contract type is still being investigated by the team
- Major Steps:
 - Sources Sought planned for early May 2018
 - Market Research concurrent with Sources Sought
 - Acquisition Planning through end of 2018
 - Issue Request for Proposal anticipated 2021
 - Evaluate Proposals 2021
 - Award Decommissioning Contract 2022
- This will be a Cost Plus Reimbursable Contract with the potential for some Fixed Price elements
- Additional funding will be processed in 2022 and 2023
- Work anticipated to take 5 years to implement





REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL WILL LIKELY INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS

- Combination of a large and small companies with capabilities in the follow key areas:
 - Project Management
 - Scheduling
 - Cost Estimating
 - Risk Assessment and Analysis
 - Radiological Expertise
 - Health and Safety Expertise
 - Decommissioning Expertise
 - Demolition Expertise
 - Regulatory Compliance
 - Waste Transportation and Disposal





PROJECT STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

- Outside of the formal public comment periods that will occur for some project documents, the Project Team will provide updates on the SM-1A Project Website and by e-mail to interested stakeholders
 - http://www.nab.usace.army.mil/SM-1A/
 - To receive Stakeholder Updates, please call 410-962-2809 or send your e-mail to: cenab-cc@usace.army.mil
- Deactivated Nuclear Power Plant Program website
 - http://www.usace.army.mil/Missions/Environmental/DNPPP/





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