

## Notice of Availability

### Final Environmental Assessment and Finding of No Significant Impact for the Decommissioning and Dismantlement of the Deactivated SM-1A Nuclear Power Plant

#### United States Army Garrison Alaska Fort Greely, Delta Junction, Alaska

**Proposed Action.** The United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE), Baltimore District proposes to decommission and dismantle the Deactivated Stationary Medium Power Model 1A Nuclear Power Plant (SM-1A) at United States (U.S.) Army Garrison Alaska Fort Greely (Fort Greely) and release the property for unrestricted use. Under the Proposed Action, USACE would: 1) complete the proposed decommissioning and dismantlement of SM-1A in accordance with a Decommissioning Plan approved by the Army Reactor Office; 2) terminate the SM-1A decommissioning permit issued by the U.S. Army Deputy Chief of Staff (DCS) G-3/5/7; and 3) release the SM-1A site for unrestricted use in accordance with U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission regulations established in 10 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 20.1402, *Radiological Criteria for Unrestricted Use* and adopted by the Army. Implementation of the Proposed Action would occur over approximately 6 years beginning in 2022 and ending in 2028.

**Public Notice.** Interested parties are hereby notified that USACE has prepared a Final Environmental Assessment (EA) and Finding of No Significant Impact (FNSI) regarding the Proposed Action.

**Statutory Authority.** This notice is being issued to all interested parties in accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) of 1969, Council on Environmental Quality NEPA implementing regulations (40 CFR 1500-1508) (1978, as amended in 1986 and 2005), and Army NEPA regulations (32 CFR 651). Notice is also given pursuant to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as implemented in 36 CFR 800.

**Public Review.** In accordance with 32 CFR 651.14, the Final EA and FNSI will be available for a 30-day wait period beginning **28 June 2021** and ending **28 July 2021** before being officially finalized. These final documents address comments received during the public review period that was held between 26 February 2021 and 28 March 2021. This notice is provided for disclosure purposes only and public comments on the Final EA and FNSI will not be accepted or addressed by USACE. The NEPA process will conclude at the end of this 30-day wait period and USACE may proceed with implementing the Proposed Action thereafter.

Local libraries where printed copies of the Final EA and FNSI would normally be made available may be closed or have limited access due to the COVID-19 public health emergency restrictions. Therefore, these documents will be available for review online or by request, as follows:

**Online** <https://www.nab.usace.army.mil/SM-1A/>

**Printed or  
Electronic Copy** **Request via email:**  
[CENAB-SM1A@usace.army.mil](mailto:CENAB-SM1A@usace.army.mil)

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Printed copies of the Final EA and FNSI will be made available at the following local libraries once the current COVID-19 public health emergency has been resolved:

Delta Community Library  
2291 Deborah Street  
Delta Junction, AK 99737

Noel Wien Public Library  
1215 Cowles Street  
Fairbanks, AK 99701

Z. J. Loussac Library  
3600 Denali Street  
Anchorage, AK 99503

Fort Wainwright Library  
3700 Santiago Ave  
Fort Wainwright, AK 99703

**More Information.** More information about the SM-1A Decommissioning and Dismantlement project and how to join the SM-1A stakeholder notification list is available on the USACE project website: <https://www.nab.usace.army.mil/SM-1A/>.