

# Spent Fuel and Waste Science and Technology

## Preview of Thursday Morning's GDSA/Process Modeling Integration Sessions

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# Objectives

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- **Background:** Nov. 30 – Dec. 1, 2016 work package managers & DOE meeting in Las Vegas to discuss integration and R&D priorities
- **Main Idea/Goal:** Follow-up to Dec. meeting—Organize and coordinate (i.e., integrate) SFWST modeling activities to achieve specific system performance assessment (“GDSA Framework”) *capabilities* at defined *times* (e.g., at “evaluation of candidate sites” in 20XX)
- **Subsidiary goals** include:
  - Do current modeling/testing activities support R&D priorities in the UFD Roadmap? If not, how to adjust them?
  - Are there gaps in our process modeling, PA modeling, and/or testing activities based on UFD Roadmap priorities?
- **Method/Tool:** Use GDSA/Process Model Integration Timeline as a way to establish completeness and R&D priorities

# Some “Points” to Ponder

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- **Define one or two “capability points,” e.g.,**
  - Near-term (2020) “complete” capability: process models and their implementation in *GDSA Framework* will have a certain “fidelity” that we start defining today
  - Farther-term (2024) “completer” capability: process models and their implementation in *GDSA Framework* will have a certain higher fidelity
- **Year-by-year workscopes and activities should be designed and integrated to support either or both of these “capability points”**
- **Importance of tying back to Roadmap “Issue” (or FEP) R&D priorities?**

# Working Integration Timeline to 2020

- Discuss in detail in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday morning session
- Green shading = known interlab integration required

This sheet is linked to the GDSA Tasks sheet...																			
2017					2018					2019					2020				
		GDSA LOE	Fraction of task	Status/ Notes			GDSA LOE	Fraction of task	GDSA Priority	Status/ Notes			GDSA LOE	Fraction of task	GDSA Priority	Status/ Notes			
4	SNF Degradation	M		LF = Arrhenius; no FMDM till optimized	5	(Pseudo) Colloid-Facilitated Transport Model	M	/2	H	start this year	6	Intrinsic Colloids	M			combine with pseudo-colloids	7	Discrete Fracture Network (DFN) Model	
83	Waste Form-Canister-Buffer Discretization (1D -> 3D)	M	/2	ongoing; integrate with Carlos	13	Simplified Representation of THMC processes in EBS (clay illitization)	M	/2	H	use GDSA reference case; LF = response surf	5	(Pseudo) Colloid-Facilitated Transport Model	M	/2	H	finish this year	53	In-Package Chemistry	
63	Basic biosphere model	L		mostly done	14	Simplified Representation of THM (BBM) model of buffer materials (unsaturated)	M	/2	H	use GDSA reference case; LF = response surf	13	Simplified Representation of THMC processes in EBS (clay illitization)	M	/2	H	use GDSA reference case; LF = response surf	52	In-Package Flow	
67	Numerical solution methods (analytical derivatives)	M		mostly done	10	Salt Coupled THM processes	H	/2	H	use GDSA reference case; LF = response surf	14	Simplified Representation of THM (BBM) model of buffer materials (unsaturated)	M	/2	H	use GDSA reference case; LF = response surf	69	Full Representation of Chemical processes in PA	
62	QA, V&V (documentation and tests)	H		ongoing, partly funded by WIPP	7	Discrete Fracture Network (DFN) Model	M - H	/3	H	real DFN w/ matrix diffusion & heat	10	Salt Coupled THM processes	H	/2	H	use GDSA reference case; LF = response surf	51	Cladding Degradation	
					68	Simplified Representation of Mechanical processes in PA	M		H	from Reedlunn? From WIPP, too? LF = response surf	15	Simplified Representation of Rigid-Body-Spring-Network (RBSN)	M			DRZ fractures (not needed in Pierre shale?) LF = response surf	73	Other missing FEPs (processes) SF-17SN01030401 SF-17SN01050402	
Green shading = known interlab integration					83	Waste Form-Canister-Buffer Discretization (1D -> 3D)	M	/2	M	ongoing; integrate with Carlos	7	Discrete Fracture Network (DFN) Model	M - H	/3	H	real DFN w/ matrix diffusion & heat	79	Disruptive events SF-17SN01030401 SF-17SN01050402	
					78	PFLOTAN improvements	L		M	Checkpoint/restart capability for new process models	53	In-Package Chemistry	M	/2		Jerden's work?	72	Surface processes and features	
Blue shading = other response surfaces					80	Species and element properties	L		M	temp-dependent solubilities	69	Full Representation of Chemical processes in PA	M	/2		Carlos' model? Also, HeeHo	64	Grid refinement	
					80	Species and element properties	L		M	Species-specific diffusivities	70	Pitzer model	M - H	/2	L	Wolery version - do we have enough staff to do?	62	QA, V&V (documentation and tests)	
					9	Waste Package Degradation Model (mechanistic)	L - M	/2	M	Start in 2018 for LC (include breach area)	9	Waste Package Degradation Model (mechanistic)	L - M	/2	M	Start in 2018 for LC (include breach area)			
					70	Pitzer model	M - H	/2	L	Wolery version - do we have enough staff to do?	73	Other missing FEPs (processes) SF-17SN01030401 SF-17SN01050402	M - H	/2		Funding dependent			

# Agenda for Thursday Morning Integration Sessions

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## Session 1: 8:00 – 9:50 am

- Intro & Objectives: Integration timeline (*Sevougian*)
- UFD Roadmap Priorities (*Sassani*)
- *GDSA Framework* as an Integration Tool (*Mariner*)
- Current R&D priorities and key process models:
  - Argillite (*Jove-Colon*)
  - Crystalline (*Wang*)
  - Salt (*Kuhlman*)
  - International (*Zheng/Birkholzer*)
  - Deep Borehole (*Freeze*)

## Session 2: 10:00 – 11:45 am

- Integration and planning discussion (*All*)
  - Modify integration timeline as appropriate—two approximate endpoints, 2020 & 2024
  - Discuss potential R&D modifications (or new focus) for FY18 & FY19 worksopes, to support a complete GDSA/PA capability for multiple concepts by ~2020