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MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
HAZARDOUS WASTE PROGRAM
WELDON SPRING SITE REMEDIAL ACTION PROJECT

STATUS OF PROJECT TO DATE
JANUARY 1995

During the first two years of the grant significant progress has been made by the Missouri Department of Natural Resources (MDNR). It includes having full staffing of the Department of Energy (DOE) unit, assignment of two permanent on-site personnel to oversight the DOE progress, participation in several of the workgroup meetings for activities at the site, coordination efforts between DOE and various regulatory programs of the state*, and providing an independent analysis of the treated water. Initial contact and interaction with the local drinking water suppliers and health departments has been established. Review, comment, and concurrence to the second Record of Decision for the site was effected in September, 1993.

Our personnel are currently reviewing, commenting and oversighting the major segments of the CSS and disposal cell design. Other interim actions at the site, ongoing environmental monitoring and establishing a local presence for community relations are also being included in the state's role at the site.

The estimated budget being submitted for the third year of the grant (February 1995 - January 1996) contains cost figures for items that had been included in the prior years budget estimates. For example, the level of funding for Environmental Sampling Costs in last years budget was based on the anticipated foundation removal activity. Since that activity was moved back in the DOE schedule, MDNR did not expend funds in that category. This years budget again reflects a funding level in anticipation of the foundation activity occurring during this period.

Similar situations exist in other budget categories. DOE should note that the budget items or funding levels are not for new or expanded programs, but instead reflect items that did not get accomplished in previous budget estimates.

*participation and coordinating public meetings such as the NPDES permit renewals.

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