



***From the desk of Mark Lindholm, WRPS President and Project Manager:***

### **Access to 242-A Evaporator restricted during exhaust stack extension**

Starting Friday, May 18, through May 31, a crane will be stationed in the 242-A Evaporator parking lot to support construction work on extending the exhaust stack on the facility. Access to the parking lot, in the 200-East Area near the corner of Camden Avenue and 4<sup>th</sup> Street, is restricted to authorized personnel.

The 242-A Evaporator is critical to Hanford's cleanup mission. The evaporator takes liquid waste from AW Farm and distills it to boil off excess water and concentrate the waste, creating additional storage space in our double-shell tanks. Since it began operating in 1977, the evaporator has removed 84 million gallons of water from Hanford's tanks.

The evaporated water is captured, condensed, filtered and sent to the Effluent Treatment Facility for further processing prior to disposal in a state-permitted landfill.

The exhaust stack is being extended from about 63 feet above grade to 111 feet above grade.

### **Opportunities for Employee Engagement**

- The next full CVST meeting is Wednesday, May 24, from 2 to 4 p.m. at the 2704-HV building, room G-206.
- The next CVST Communication Sub-Team meeting is June 5, from 3 to 4 p.m. at 2704-HV, Room B-226.

***Mark***