

Program Planning & Control and EVMS Support to DOE and DOE Contractors

“The support received from SM&A to prepare for the review was a key contributor to CHPRC’s success. Of particular note are the mock interviews that were conducted in May 2009 and the follow-on training that resulted from these interviews. SM&A was very responsive and able to provide a team of seasoned professionals to support our needs. Your knowledge of EVMS and DOE expectations was invaluable during this process.”

– John G. Lehew III, CHPRC President/CEO

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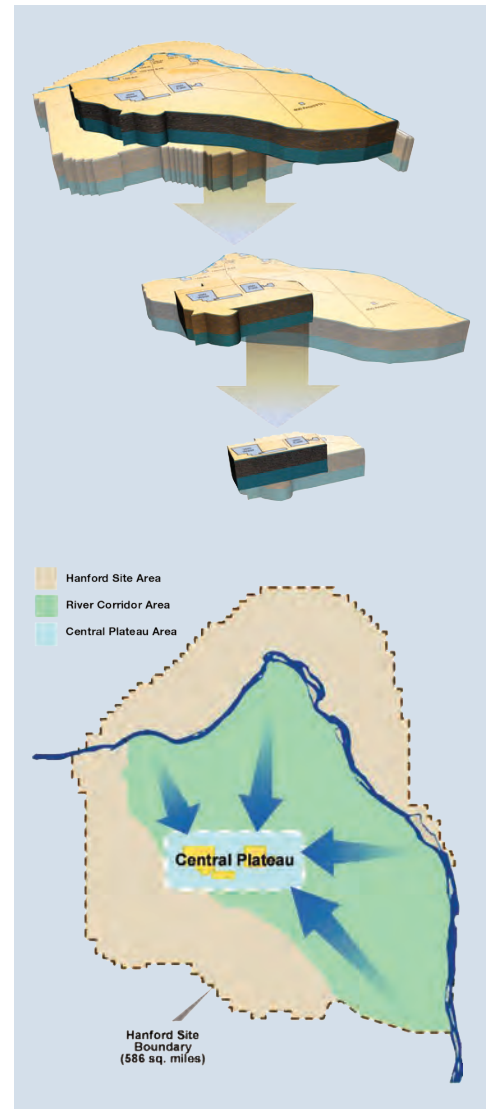
EVMS Certification Support for Hanford Plateau Remediation Contract

The scope of the DOE’s Plateau Remediation Contract is to advance the cleanup of the Central Plateau area of the Hanford Site, which is currently the largest environmental cleanup project in the nation. The \$4.5 billion cost plus award fee contract, awarded to the CH2M Hill Plateau Remediation Company (CHPRC) in June of 2008, included a requirement to implement an EVMS that could be “certified” by OECM as being compliant with ANSI/EIA Standard 748-B. In support of this requirement, CHPRC awarded a subcontract to SM&A’s EVMS Compliance and Consulting practice in March of 2009.

Over the next five months, SM&A provided subject matter experts to assist in upgrading the EVMS description and associated procedures, as well as the implementation and establishment of a meaningful performance measurement baseline (PMB). In addition, SM&A provided training and mentoring to CHPRC’s control account managers (CAMs) while helping to ensure that the deployed EVMS was providing both CHPRC and DOE site management timely and accurate performance measurement status and forecasts. SM&A staff also augmented CHPRC project control staff in operating and maintaining the system’s integrated software platform, which was comprised of Deltek’s *Cobra* and Oracle’s *P6* applications.

When the EVMS certification review was conducted by OECM in the summer of 2009, the support that SM&A had provided to the preparation effort was validated by the fact that CHPRC received only one “corrective action request” (CAR). Not only is this a far better result than what is normally seen from certification reviews of similar-sized contracts, but the CAR assessed was only tangentially related to the contract’s EVMS and its compliance with the ANSI Standard. Nonetheless, SM&A was retained to help clear the single CAR (which was achieved in short order), and CHPRC received its formal certification letter from OECM on September 18, 2009.

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Despite efforts to reduce the overall footprint of the Hanford site, cleanup of the Central Plateau area will remain the “critical path” of the remediation effort.