The Oregon Department of Energy is recruiting volunteers to serve on the Oregon Hanford Cleanup Board. The Oregon Hanford Cleanup Board is made up of 10 citizen volunteer members who are appointed by the Governor.

**About the Oregon Hanford Cleanup Board**

The Oregon Hanford Cleanup Board plays a vital role in ensuring the safe and timely cleanup of the Hanford site located in nearby Washington State, just 35 miles from Oregon’s border along the Columbia River.

For over 40 years, the federal government produced plutonium for America’s nuclear weapons program at the site. That process created huge amounts of radioactive and chemical waste that pose a threat to the Columbia River, which flows into prime Oregon farmland, fisheries, and recreational areas.

The Oregon Hanford Cleanup Board provides input to U.S. DOE and its regulators about cleanup of the site. The cleanup work is very complicated and expected to continue for another 45 years or more.

Board members serve four-year terms and can be appointed for up to two terms. The number of meetings per year varies with as few as two and as many as three. The public meetings usually occur over two-day period.

Council members are volunteers, but do receive reimbursement for travel expenses – including mileage, hotel costs for overnight stays, and meals.

Past and present board members have had a wide range of career and life experiences, expertise, and backgrounds.

**For More Information and to Apply:**

- Please contact Mark Reese Board Administrator, at mark.reese@oregon.gov or 503-378-4131 with any questions about the roles and responsibilities of board members.
- If interested in applying, please submit an interest form for consideration by the Governor here: [https://www.oregon.gov/gov/admin/Pages/Boards-and-Commissions.aspx](https://www.oregon.gov/gov/admin/Pages/Boards-and-Commissions.aspx)