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Tooele Chemical Agent Disposal Facility Contractor Staff Reductions Continue

TOOELE ARMY DEPOT, SOUTH AREA - STOCKTON, UTAH - As closure work continues at the U.S. Army's Tooele Chemical Agent Disposal Facility (TOCDF), officials of the facility operations and maintenance contractor, URS, have begun to further reduce staff by eliminating certain job positions.

Chemical weapons destruction operations were completed in January 2012. Since then, a contractor work force, which numbered near 1,200 at its peak, has been reduced to 629. However, over the next two months, approximately 400 more contractor workers will be given their organizational releases from the project. It will be the largest work force reduction during the project's closure phase.

In order to fulfill the obligations detailed in the project's Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) permit, the destruction facility and some of its support facilities will be demolished. Work is currently underway to prepare for demolition, which is scheduled to begin in early December. Besides required demolition work, property disposition, security services, regulatory permit close-out and various other administrative functions must be completed prior to final project closure, expected in early 2015.

Tooele Army Depot (TEAD) took command of the depot property in July and will acquire the remaining TOCDF structures such as warehouses, maintenance shops and office buildings as they become available for re-use.

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