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PERFORMANCE-BASED EXTENSION TO INTEGRATED MATERIALS PERFORMANCE
EVALUATION PROGRAM REVIEW CYCLES AND PROPOSED SCHEDULES FOR FISCAL
YEAR 2026 THROUGH FISCAL YEAR 2030 (STC-26-016)

Purpose: To inform the Agreement States, Indiana, West Virginia, and the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), Office of Nuclear Material Safety and Safeguards (NMSS), and NRC Regions I, III, and IV of the implementation of new performance-based criteria used to determine the eligibility for extended Integrated Materials Performance Evaluation Program (IMPEP) review cycles for selected Radiation Control Programs (RCPs).

These changes are intended to enhance program efficiency, reduce regulatory and resource burden, and better align review frequency with demonstrated program performance. The NRC is also providing the updated projected IMPEP review schedules for the remainder of NRC Fiscal Year (FY) 2026 through FY 2030 and is soliciting comments on the proposed adjustments¹.

Background: Each year, the NRC provides a projected IMPEP schedule to ensure that both NRC and Agreement State personnel have sufficient advance notice of upcoming reviews. As part of a broader effort to streamline IMPEP operations and optimize staff resources ([ML26056A112](#)), the NRC evaluated the performance history of all RCPs and identified opportunities to safely extend review cycles without diminishing oversight effectiveness. Based on this evaluation, the NRC applied the following performance-based criteria to determine which RCPs were eligible for extended review cycles:

- High-performing RCPs with at least two consecutive all satisfactory IMPEP reviews and currently on 5-year cycles may be extended to 6 years.
- Effective RCPs with no unsatisfactory findings on their most recent IMPEP review and currently on 4-year cycles may be extended to 5 years.
- RCPs on Heightened Oversight or Monitoring will retain their current review cycles.
- RCPs with newly signed or amended agreements will remain in their existing cycles.

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In several cases, IMPEP review cycles were not extended because significant preparatory work has already been completed. Remote periodic meetings dates will also shift to the midpoint of each revised review cycle, unless such meetings have already been scheduled.

Discussion: The NRC updates and distributes the projected IMPEP schedule annually and will continue to post the schedule on the [IMPEP Toolbox website](#). The NRC has incorporated the revised review cycles using the criteria described above and incorporated the results into the enclosed multi-year IMPEP planning schedule. These adjustments help stabilize annual workloads and distribute review activities more evenly across FYs while maintaining a risk-informed, performance-based oversight structure. The projected number of IMPEP reviews per FY under the revised cycles provided below:

FY	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030
Projected Reviews	6	6	7	8	8

The NRC appreciates the continued cooperation of the Agreement States and remains committed to supporting efficient and effective oversight of radiation control programs.

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Proposed Multi-Year IMPEP Planning Schedule FY2026 through FY2030

PROPOSED IMPEP REVIEW SCHEDULE FOR FY 2026*	
<i>Agreement State Program (6)</i>	<i>Target Date</i>
Texas	March 23-27, 2026
Minnesota	April 13-17, 2026
Washington	April 13-17, 2026
North Carolina	May 4-8, 2026
NRC	June 22-26, 2026
New York	September 2026
* For the remainder of FY 2026	

PROPOSED IMPEP REVIEW SCHEDULE FOR FY 2027	
<i>Agreement State Program (6)</i>	<i>Target Date</i>
Connecticut**	March 2027
New Hampshire	April 2027
Tennessee	May 2027
Florida	June 2027
Oregon	August 2027
Nevada	September 2027
** First IMPEP reviews are conducted approximately 18 months after agreement is signed.	

PROPOSED IMPEP REVIEW SCHEDULE FOR FY 2028	
<i>Agreement State Program (7)</i>	<i>Target Date</i>
Colorado	April 2028
Alabama	May 2028
Iowa	June 2028
Wyoming	June 2028
Maine	July 2028
Utah	August 2028
Rhode Island	September 2028

PROPOSED IMPEP REVIEW SCHEDULE FOR FY 2029	
<i>Agreement State Program (8)</i>	<i>Target Date</i>
South Carolina	October 2028
Massachusetts	November 2028
Kentucky	February 2029
New Jersey	March 2029
Illinois	April 2029
Arkansas	July 2029
Oklahoma	August 2029
New Mexico	September 2029

Proposed Multi-Year IMPEP Planning Schedule FY2026 through FY2030

PROPOSED IMPEP REVIEW SCHEDULE FOR FY 2030	
<i>Agreement State Program (8)</i>	<i>Target Date</i>
Kansas	November 2029
Pennsylvania	February 2030
Mississippi	February 2030
Ohio	March 2030
Georgia	May 2030
North Dakota	July 2030
Maryland	August 2030
Wisconsin	September 2030

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