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ORNL WORK PLAN
Operations, Maintenance and Services



Work Plan Name / Rev: DEERSURVEILLANCE18 / 13

WORK SCOPE/DESCRIPTION				
Requester (Name/Badge/Division):	Dailey, Rick L / 00027505 / X035			
Location of work (Bldg/Rm/Other):	//			
Work Plan Title:	EPSD'S Support Role for the CY2018 Deer Hunts			
Description of Service/Work Needed: In a joint effort between TWRA and ORNL, an annual hunt is held to harvest and reduce the deer population on the Oak Ridge Reservation. It is the role of EPSD to provide support by collecting bone and tissue samples from harvested deer by using knives, and lopping shears. These samples are analyzed immediately onsite by CSD. The results determine whether the deer is released to the hunter or retained. EPSD will properly package the retained deer for future disposal. If a deer is retained due to radiological reasons EPSD personnel will (using knives, reciprocating saw,or hacksaw) cut the deer up into no more than 35lb sections, package each 35lbs into a cardboard box (10x12x14) secure it by double bagging and adding absorbent material (Quik Solid) to the box, taping it ,and labeling the box with date, deer ID, box weight, and biohazard label. Each box will then be placed into a secure freezer that is maintained and in the custody of CSD.				
Charge Number, if required:	318500AB			
Work Plan Grade/Worktype:	4 / 0			
Author (Name/Badge):	Dailey, Rick L / 00027505			
File Attachments:	Badge	Name	Attachment Desc	File Name
	00027505	Dailey, Rick L	checking scale	deerscaleworkplan.pdf
	00027505	Dailey, Rick L	QEA DEER LIFTING	QEA LIFT 2 MAN DEER LIFT.pdf
	00027505	Dailey, Rick L	QEA Exposure	qeaexposure.pdf
	00027505	Dailey, Rick L	QEA Exposure	QEA_DEERSURVEILLANCE18.pdf
INSTRUCTIONS				
Prerequisites/Precautions: EPSD- Prepare a tentative schedule for EPSD staff with the appropriate personnel to support hunts. EPSD - Handling and sectioning of retained (potentially radiologically contaminated) deer shall be conducted by Ut-Battelle/EPWSD personnel Note: EPSD is not responsible for disposal of any radiologically contaminated deer retained during screening. EPSD- Verify that the following supplies are available; Boxes (10wx12dx14h), box liners, duct tape,work area laydown material, absorbant agent,(quick solid), appropriate cutting tools,appropriate gloves, cut resistant inner gloves with cut rating of 4 or higher, safety glasses. EPSD- Scales-verify M&TE Calibration is current and working properly. Make note of the calibration ID# and calibration date in the comment section of the Pre/Post Job briefing form. EPSD - Ensure that a qualitative exposure assessment (QEA) has been performed for the hazards that apply to each work activity (see attached QEAs for recurring tasks) OR that a quantitative exposure assessment (exposure monitoring) will be performed during the work event. Contact SSD to conduct a QEA if conditions of physical hazards are anticipated to exceed conditions in attached QEAs. QEAs developed after approval of this work plan shall be maintained with the documentation for the work activity.				
Directions: Only UT-Battelle employees perform any sampling on harvested deer. EPSD-Setup the scales in an appropriate location, ensuring calibration is current and a verification check is performed to ensure accuracy and maintain proper operation throughout the hunt. EPSD- Support DOE,TWRA,CSD, and EPSD in the following activities . Gather information from the hunter, collecting data from the deer,preparing samples for CSD, and packaging retained deer for disposal. The process to collect deer samples are as follows. EPSD will collect bone and tissue samples from harvested deer. Bone samples will be collected from hind leg using a knife and loppers. A bone section about 3 inches long is needed. About 75mg of tissue is also collected from the hind quarters of each deer with a knife. Bone samples are placed in lizard bags and tissue samples are placed in plastic vials. Weights are recorded and this information is recorded on the hunters permit. Samples are then relinquished to CSD for rad screening. EPSD- Take down the scales and store in an appropriate location.				

Post Work Testing:

Contact RCT for contamination survey of tools, equipment, and tables if a deer is retained and packaged by EPSD.

Closeout:

EPSD- Relinquish custody of samples or retained deer to CSD.

JOB HAZARD EVALUATION

HAZARDS	PERMITS / CONTROLS
Radiological Work: (no actual radiological work is planned under this task)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Radiation survey instruments are available in the field to check deer, work surfaces and workers, as necessary. Radiological Control Technician will be contacted for support in any contamination areas, as necessary.: Radiological posting (Proper posting is required for the freezer and package the retained deer are stored in. Designated freezers will be posted and in an appropriate location to store the packages of retained deer. Each package will have a biohazard label on it applied by EPSD personnel. CSD is in custody of these packages until proper disposal steps are taken)
Electrical Equipment and Tools: If used, reciprocating saw may be electrically powered by cord and plug.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>Listed</u> by a nationally recognized testing laboratory (<u>NRTL</u>) GFCI rated extension cords
Ergonomic Conditions (Contact Stress, Vibration, Posture, Force, Repetitive Motion): Lifting of deer carcass	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>Exposure Assessment:</u> Enter or attach justification to classify exposure scenario as low risk, qualitative exposure assessment (QEA), or requirement to conduct quantitative exposure monitoring (QEM): No repetitive production-like lifting is required. Lifting is intermittent. No QEA is required. Diversify activities Stretch breaks/exercises Worker rotation
Heat/Cold Stress: dress in an appropriate manner for daily conditions for a 12; hour work day. Heaters and shelter are available	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <u>Exposure Assessment:</u> Enter or attach justification to classify exposure scenario as low risk, qualitative exposure assessment (QEA), or requirement to conduct quantitative exposure monitoring (QEM): Work requirements - Level D PPE (OR occasionally Level D PPE plus tyvek), acclimated workers, light (continuous) to moderate work (intermittent) - considered low risk. Exposure assessment is dependent on ambient conditions and cannot be performed in advance. Work/rest regimen: Specify. Workers check ambient readings and wind chill factors periodically when in the field and self-pace work activities. Avoid contact of bare skin to cold surfaces. Contact SSD for assessment if air temp < 20 deg F and wind speed >10 mph Worker rotation Acclimatization Frequent breaks: rotate roles if necessary to keep from over exposure to cold/heat conditions
Manual Material Handling: be mindful of proper lifting technique in lifting deer and handling scales	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Establish Controls (<u>Guideline</u>) [apply 30-50-30 criteria for a non-repetitive lifting task] <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reduce weight Decrease load Design work area Facilitate access to material Optimum environment Reduce distance /Provide proper storage facilities Load storage Eliminate manual lifting/lowering Eliminate pushing/pulling – Use lifting aids Other instructions to staff

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> : Always lift with your legs and keep back straight. Use help when needed Diversity of activities: Workers alternate job tasks that require lifting Team Lifting (Guideline): As required for awkward loads (e.g., deer carcass) and/or load of 40 lb or more. Exposure Assessment: Enter or attach justification to classify exposure scenario as low risk, qualitative exposure assessment (QEA), or requirement to conduct quantitative exposure monitoring (QEM): See QEA for lifting deer carcass. No repetitive or production-like two-handed lifting tasks are required for this work activity/task. No Qualitative Exposure Assessment is required. Consider forklifts or powered industrial trucks: See Power Equipment hazard (formerly Lifting Aides): Use to assist deer positioning if size reduction is required.
Noise: reciprocating saw may be used intermittently to size reduce retained deer (infrequently required)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exposure Assessment: Enter or attach justification to classify exposure scenario as low risk, qualitative exposure assessment (QEA), or requirement to conduct quantitative exposure monitoring (QEM): Total day exposure to reciprocating saw is 30 min intermittent exposure over 12 hour day. See attached low risk QEA documentation. Hearing protection (plugs or muffs): Selecting Hearing Protection: NRR of 27 or higher
Chemical/Rec ID 1: Quik Solid (B4170) is used as required for packaging retained deer after sectioning to absorb fluids in waste containers.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exposure Assessment: Enter or attach justification to classify exposure scenario as low risk, qualitative exposure assessment (QEA), or requirement to conduct quantitative exposure monitoring (QEM): Exposure assessment not required as no OELs apply based on product MSDS. Gloves: Specify. Impermeable latex or nitrile gloves Safety glasses
Infectious materials: Retained deer should be handled with care in regard to radiological control and potential biohazards.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exposure Assessment: Enter or attach justification to classify exposure scenario as low risk, qualitative exposure assessment (QEA), or requirement to conduct quantitative exposure monitoring (QEM): Written exposure assessment is not required; There is no OEL for biological materials. PPE: Specify. Impermeable gloves, safety glasses required. See additional PPE for radiological controls when appropriate. Package retained carcass and label as biohazard to indicate potential for bacterial growth or communicable disease. Decon equipment and surfaces after use with antibacterial wipes and/or freshly prepared solution of 10% clorox. Wash hands with wipes, hand sanitizer and/or soap and water prior to eating, drinking, use of tobacco products, applying lip balm, taking medication, etc.
Insects/animals/wildlife/parasites: deer hunt associated outdoor/wildlife hazards	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PPE: Specify. When working in areas where contact with ticks, chiggers, etc. is likely, wear repellent-treated long sleeved shirts and pants and treated hat Insect spray: Apply DEET-based product to exposed skin and/or Promethrin-based product to clothing/shoes/boots/hat. Use products only as directed by manufacturer instructions Self-checking: Check for ticks on clothing, skin and head

immediately after leaving work location and prior to entering vehicle. Remove work clothing and shower as soon as possible. Repeat tick checking. Observe field locations for presence of stinging/biting insects such as bees, hornets and fire ants. Warn co-workers to avoid nest locations.

Flying deer parts: the cutting of deer bone and packaging of retained deer creates the hazard of flying objects	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> safety glasses will be utilized while working around the deer hunt operations Consider use of faceshield, as needed in addition to safety glasses
Cutting tools: handling the deer and packaging of retained deer will require the use of cutting tools	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> be cautious of the hazards associated with all the different cutting tools: wear latex gloves and cut resistant glove liners when taking bone samples, tissue samples, and disposing of retained deer.
Handling of retained deer: once deemed as a retained deer by CSD, restriction apply to those persons to whom can handle the retained deer. Only EP personnel are to handle retained deer until handed over to CSD for lockable storage.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Radiological control aspect: Historical data has been reviewed and the task has been overseen by radiological protection operations, it is decided that only EPSD workers handle and package the retained deer and use appropriate technique and approach when packaging these deer.
Slip/Trip conditions and rough terrain	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Safety-toed footwear with adequate tread for conditions present.

DOCUMENTATION REVIEW AUTHORIZATION
(Approvals are certification of hazards assessment)

Reviewer/Approver Roles	Signature	Date
IS/IH	Thomas, Billey	
Other Subject Matter Experts (SMEs)	Beatty, Timothy W	
Other Subject Matter Experts (SMEs)	Carr, Mark Travis	
Other Subject Matter Experts (SMEs)	Guinn, Tyler	
Other Subject Matter Experts (SMEs)	Towe, Tyson	
Project Lead	Dailey, Rick L	
Radiation Protection	O'Dell, Roger	
Task Leader	Gregory, Scott	

Work Package Concurrence

Facility Manager	
Operations Supervisor	

Facility Manager Approval To Start Work

Facility Manager	
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Work Start Authorization

Task Leader	
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Work Acknowledged Complete

Task Leader	
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Worker Feedback:

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PRE-JOB SAFETY REVIEW GUIDE

ID: 28058

Scope of Work: Review work package/plan to ensure all participants understand the work activity.

Hazards: Review the hazards identified in Job Hazard Evaluation (JHE) / work plan (IOP).

- ε Since the work package / plan was written: 1) Have conditions changed? 2) Are there new hazards? Refer to Field Notes and Focus Areas.

Hazard Controls / Permits: Review:

- ε Written permits for the work activity.
- ε Precautions, step warnings, Hold Points ...
- ε Personal Protective Equipment (PPE)

- ε Work instructions for information - e.g., steps where hazards are introduced.
- ε ORNL subject area requirements - e.g., non-permit hazard controls.

Performing Work:

- ε Discuss group/individual responsibilities for safe & effective work.
- ε Follow work instructions & safety procedures.
- ε Availability/location of materials, tools, etc.
- ε Any previous experiences / lessons learned?
- ε Response if work cannot be performed as planned.
- ε What is the worst thing that could happen?
- ε Are there *Potential error traps* with the job? → →
- ε Take a minute before: work start & leaving work area.
- ε Work Hand-off / Turnover - workers & Task Leader

→ **Potential Error Traps:**

- ε Time pressures
- ε Distractive environment
- ε High workload
- ε First time evolution
- ε First day back
- ε Vague guidance
- ε Over confidence
- ε Imprecise communications
- ε Work stress

Abnormal Situation Response:

- | Stop Work: Observe an unsafe act, activity or condition that creates an imminent danger.
- | Emergency Response: Discuss egress paths or other responses if problems are encountered.

Field Notes and Focus Areas: (Use this area as a work space to record notes related to new hazards identified in the field or changed conditions. Record feedback in work package/plan information systems.)

By signing below, I am indicating that I have been briefed on the potential hazards associated with completing this job.

Signature / Badge	Date	Signature / Badge	Date

Check accuracy of the scale before use and every 20 measurements by following these steps:

1. Ensure the scale is level. The scale is a fixed scale and is not moved so it should be level.
2. Zero the scale- reading should show 0.0
3. Place check weight on center of scale to ensure readings fall within +/- 1.1 lbs (range of 23.1 lb- 26.1 lb.) Examine check weight for damage or corrosion prior to use. Check weights should be handled using gloves.
4. Record check weight and the scale property number on a weight check list in the work plan packet.
5. If balance is not within specified range,clean,level and reset scale to zero as needed. Perform check measurement again.Record any additional checks.
6. If checks continue to be out of specified range of +/- 1.1 lb and device cannot be adjusted to meet required accuracy notify ORNL Metrology for calibration and/or maintenance. Remove the scale from service immediately if feasible.
7. Return check weights to storage box.Store weight in original protective case in a dry location when not in use. Note: At least once every 3 years send check weights to ORNL metrology lab to ensure consistency.

LiftRightSM

Two Man deer lift

Data Entered

	Origin	Destination
Horizontal Location (in.)	6.00	6.00
Vertical Location (in.)	12.00	36.00
Angle of Asymmetry (deg)	0.00	0.00
Frequency (lifts per minute)		0.02
Duration		< 1 hour
Coupling		good
Weight of Object (lbs.)		50

Multipliers

	Origin	Destination
Horizontal	1.00	1.00
Vertical	0.86	0.96
Rotation	1.00	1.00
Distance		0.90
Frequency		1.00
Coupling		1.00

	Origin	Destination
Recommended Weight Limit (RWL)	39.48	43.59
Lift Index (LI)	1.27	1.15

Notes

Two person lift to move deer carcass with weights up to 100 lb.
Lift exceeds RWL but can be performed safely with additional administrative controls.
additional workers are available to assist lifting and workers rotate lifting tasks.

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Facility #: TWRA Checking Station	Room/Lab/Shop #:	Open-air shed		
Organization: EPSD	RSS/Work Plan #:	DEERSURVEILLANCE17		

Hazard Information

Agent/Hazard (for chemical products, list multiple components)	Quantity	* OEL	Unit	Percent (if applicable)
Noise exposure for operator of reciprocating saw (30 min/day)	102 max	85	dbA	

* Optional field

Source of OEL: ACGIH OSHA DOE NIOSH None Other:

CHEMICAL HAZARD

Chemical Product Name:

Potential Routes of Entry

Inhalation Penetration Ingestion Splash Absorption Other

Primary Exposure Forms

Solid Liquid Gas Fume Particulate Vapor Mist Nano Other

Frequency of Exposure

One Time Daily Weekly Monthly Quarterly Annually Variable

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PHYSICAL HAZARD

Type of Hazard

Thermal Stress: Heat Cold

Ergonomic (Specify): |

Acoustic: Infrasound and low-frequency sound Noise Ultrasound

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Controls Effective:

Yes No Uncertain Comments:

Exposure Assessment Rating

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{(Health Severity} \\ \text{Rating (1-4)} \\ 4 \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} \text{Exposure Rating} \\ \text{Rating (1-4)} \\ 2 \end{array} \times \begin{array}{c} \text{Certainty} \\ \text{Rating (1-3)} \\ 1 \end{array} = \begin{array}{c} \text{QEA Rating} \\ \text{(2-24)} \\ 6 \end{array}$$

Exposure Decision

Acceptable (2-7) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> document and schedule follow-up assessment	Uncertain (8-15) <input type="checkbox"/> prioritize for further information gathering	Unacceptable (16-24) Implement control measures and prioritize for Follow-up assessment
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Follow-up

Follow-up Assessment Priority: Schedule: Month 6 months 1 year 3 years Other:

Is Quantitative Exposure Monitoring recommended? Yes No

Recommendations/Comments:

Qualified H&S Professional: Billey Thomas, CSP

Date: 09/29/2017

QEA Rating Tables

Table 1: Health Severity Rating

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HSR		Effects from Over Exposure
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