Hanford Challenge started investigating Perma-Fix Northwest after learning about proposals to send more of Hanford’s waste there for off-site treatment. Perma-Fix Northwest is a commercial waste treatment facility located in Richland, WA that mostly treats waste from Hanford and other DOE sites. In November 2020, Hanford Challenge and Robert Alvarez released their findings in a report titled “Risky Business at Perma-Fix Northwest,” recommending that it would be safer to treat Hanford’s waste at the Hanford Site instead of sending it to Perma-Fix Northwest for treatment.