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New Mexico Environment Department  
Attn: Pamela Allen  
Hazardous Waste Bureau  
2905 Rodeo Park Dr. East, Bldg 1  
Santa Fe, NM 87505-6303

Dear Pamela Allen,

As required by the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) hazardous waste regulations, Holloman Air Force Base (HAFB) is notifying you of its intent to submit a Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Permit Renewal Application for the existing 20,000-Pound Open Detonation (OD) Treatment Unit and active Corrective Actions Sites. The proposed renewal application covers existing activities and incorporates only those revisions that have previously undergone public review as part of the procedures for either permit revision applications or Corrective Action Complete status requests. The attached announcement is provided as notification.

You are encouraged to attend the public meeting that will be held on March 16, 2015 from 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm in the Sgt. Willie Estrada Memorial Civic Center and to review the hard copy of the proposed renewal application available at the Alamogordo Public Library throughout the 60-day public review period.

If you have any questions, please contact the NMED Hazardous Waste Bureau Chief at the address below:

New Mexico Environment Department  
Attn: Mr. John Kieling, Chief  
Hazardous Waste Bureau  
2905 Rodeo Park Drive East, Building 1  
Santa Fe NM 87505-6303

Sincerely,

DEANNA ROTHHAUPT, GS-12, DAFC

Attachment: Public Notice

**NOTICE**  
**Holloman Air Force Base**  
**Notification of a Request to Renew the existing**  
**Resource Conservation and Recovery Act Permit**

Holloman Air Force Base (HAFB) announces its intent to apply to the New Mexico Environment Department (Agency) for a renewal of its existing Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Permit No. NM6572124422. The proposed renewal application addresses the existing 20,000-Pound Open Detonation (OD) Treatment Unit and the active Corrective Action Sites at HAFB.

Investigations and remediation of Corrective Action Sites designated as Solid Waste Management Units (SWMUs) and Areas of Concern (AOCs) at HAFB are conducted under both the Air Force Environmental Restoration Program (ERP) and the RCRA Corrective Action Program. The proposed renewal application incorporates all SWMU and AOC Corrective Action Complete (CAC) status determinations approved by the Agency since the last RCRA permit issuance; these determinations have all previously undergone public review. The majority of the active sites addressed in the renewal application have been under investigation since the early 1990s. The OD Unit has not operated as a treatment unit for more than three years and has undergone remediation during this period; it is awaiting final closure approval from the Agency and is therefore included in the renewal application.

**Comment Period:** A 60-day public comment period has been initiated with the publication of this notice. Only comments and/or requests received on or before the close of April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2015 will be considered. Comments should be directed to:

Agency Contact:            Mr. John Kieling, Hazardous Waste Bureau Chief  
New Mexico Environment Department  
2905 Rodeo Park Drive East, Building 1  
Santa Fe NM 87505-6303  
(505) 476-6035  
Ref: HAFB RCRA Renewal Application February 2015

**HAFB Contact:** Inquiries may be directed to the Holloman Public Affairs Office at (575) 572-7381 or 49<sup>th</sup> Wing Public Affairs, Attn: 49 CES Environmental, 490 First Street, Building 29, Suite 1500, Holloman Air Force Base, NM 88330 or DeAnna Rothhaupt Chief, Holloman AFB Environmental.  
Ref: HAFB RCRA Renewal Application February 2015

**Public Meeting:** A public meeting will be held on March 16, 2015 from 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm in the Sgt. Willie Estrada Memorial Civic Center, 801 East First Street, Alamogordo, NM.

**Public Inspection of Documents:** A hard copy of the HAFB renewal application is available for public review in the Alamogordo Public Library, 920 Oregon Avenue, Alamogordo, NM throughout the 60-day comment period.

**Compliance History:** HAFB operates under an existing Hazardous Waste Facility Permit which was initially issued by the Agency in 1991 and was last renewed in 2004. On July 18, 2014 the Agency approved HAFB's extension request to submit the required renewal application on February 24, 2015. The permittee's compliance history during the life of the permit being renewed is available from the Agency contact person listed in this notice.