

MEMORANDUM

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SUBJECT: **DOE Allocation of Funding for Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL)
Ground Water Monitoring 5-Year Plan**

LANL has submitted a Business Plan for Ground Water Protection to both DOE Area Office and Headquarters. The business plan provided a framework for integration and coordination of ground water monitoring activities at LANL, collectively called the Ground Water Protection Management Program (GWMP). Funding for the GWMP will be supplied from various programs within LANL's organizational structure.

The bulk of the new work under the GWMP has been introduced to DOE for funding under the ES&H 5-Year Plan for FY-96. Karen McAda of the Albuquerque Area Office (Environmental Protection Section) stated that the 5-Year Plan has been submitted to both DOE Area Office and Headquarters. Area Office and Headquarters are both in agreement that this plan should be funded.

The next step towards funding is the federal budget process that will begin in January 1995; it will be decided upon by October 1995. If approved, the installation of new monitoring wells will begin in October 1995. However, the request for funding of the 5-Year Plan must be resubmitted each year for approval and allocation.

New information generated from this Plan will increase the State's workload as the need for review of ground water monitoring documentation will increase. Based on this projection, it is noted that the LANL Ground Water Task Project is still needed as a grant commitment to adequately review ground water data at LANL.



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