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Two meetings set on waste storage

SANTA FE — The state Health and Environment Department will hold two public information meetings in Farmington on Wednesday concerning an application for a hazardous waste storage permit from the Safety-Kleen Corp.

The meetings will be at 3 and 7 p.m. in Room 1008 of the Student Union Building at San Juan College.

According to David Morgan of the Environmental Improvement Division's Hazardous and Radioactive Waste Bureau, Safety-Kleen currently operates a hazardous waste storage facility under "interim status" granted to

facilities in operation when the New Mexico Hazardous Waste Management Regulations became effective.

Hazardous wastes dumped at the facility, located on Hawkins Road in the Harper Hill area, include mineral spirit solvents, dry cleaning solvents and immersion cleaners.

These materials are stored prior to shipment to a recycling facility in Texas. No hazardous waste is permanently stored, treated or disposed of at the Safety-Kleen site.

Questions regarding the public information meetings may be directed to Morgan in Santa Fe at 827-0582.

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