

**Subject: WIPP expansion**

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Dear Mr. Maggiore,

I hear rumors that there is an application in to expand the facilities at WIPP down in Carlsbad. I am writing to express my deepest disagreement with this idea; it's bad enough as it is that we have had this monstrosity stuffed down our throats without it becoming a spreading cancer in the south part of the State (which is, of course, exactly what everyone opposed to the idea in the first place knew was going to happen once the Feds got a foothold).

If you do have to actually consider this proposal for expansion, I just want to remind you that the people of the State have a right to be involved in the consideration process, and not just as a passive audience. I've got a feeling that if you people and the Feds start pushing to go around the local population on this, the way the Fed prefers to do in such matters, you're going to find that with the new rising mood of resistance you may find yourselves in hotter water than anticipated. I know I'll go find a group to ally myself with, so that my own protest can be magnified by the protests of others.

It was a mistake letting that canker sore get started; let's not let it get worse.

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\*\*\* To rule by fettering the mind through fear of punishment in another world is just as base as to use force. \*\*\* -- Hypatia

