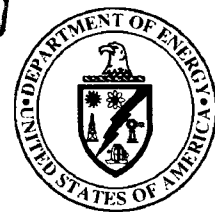


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# Public Information Meetings

## On Proposed Class 3 Modification To the Hazardous Waste Facility Permit For the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant

**July 17, 2001**  
3 to 5 p.m.  
6 to 8 p.m.  
**WIPP Information Center**  
**Skeen-Whitlock Building**  
**4021 National Parks Highway**  
**Carlsbad, New Mexico**

**July 19, 2001**  
3 to 5 p.m.  
6 to 8 p.m.  
**Courtyard by Marriott**  
**3347 Cerrillos Road**  
**Santa Fe, New Mexico**

The U.S. Department of Energy Carlsbad Field Office is hosting public meetings to:

- Provide information to the public concerning the requested Class 3 modification to the Hazardous Waste Facility Permit for the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP).
- Explain the process for submitting comments.
- Provide a forum for an exchange of views among the public, the facility's owner (U.S. Department of Energy), the management and operating contractor (Westinghouse TRU Solutions LLC), and the regulatory agency (New Mexico Environment Department).

DOE is proposing a permit modification to allow for a centralized waste confirmation facility at WIPP. This permit modification consists of four main parts: allowing waste confirmation activities to be performed at WIPP, increasing temporary above-ground storage area and capacity, increasing length of storage time, and managing prohibited items. The proposed changes are necessary to aid in the cleanup of DOE sites around the country.

**To obtain information** about the Class 3 Permit Modification, contact Bobby St. John at the WIPP Information Center, 1-800-336-9477. The permit modifications are also available on the WIPP Web site, <http://www.wipp.carlsbad.nm.us>, and at the WIPP Information Center, Skeen-Whitlock Building, 4021 National Parks Highway, Carlsbad, New Mexico.

**Send written comments to:**  
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Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505  
Phone: 505-428-2517  
E-mail [steve\\_zappe@nmenv.state.nm.us](mailto:steve_zappe@nmenv.state.nm.us)  
Display ad posted on: June 13, 2001  
Comment period begins: June 13, 2001  
Comment period ends: August 13, 2001

The permittees' compliance history during the life of the permit being modified is available from the Agency contact person (Mr. Steve Zappe).

Comments to the permittees relative to this permit modification should be submitted to Mr. Bobby St. John, P.O. Box 2078, Carlsbad, NM 88221, by August 6, 2001.

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