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## WIPP UPDATE: June 18, 2015

### **Breidenbach Officially takes over as NWP President & Project Manager**

On June 11, Phil Breidenbach officially assumed the role of NWP President & Project Manager, replacing Bob McQuinn. McQuinn served in that capacity for just over a year. Breidenbach, who brings over 30 years of experience working at various Department of Energy facilities, served a key role in the development of the WIPP Recovery Plan following the radiological event. His past experience includes operations and project management at various nuclear facilities, including several that involved some type of recovery operations. Breidenbach received a bachelor's degree in metallurgical engineering from the South Dakota School of Mines and Technology.



Phil Breidenbach

### **WIPP Fire Department Personnel Receive Medevac Training**

Recently, members of the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP) Fire Department participated in training provided by Native Air, the local air ambulance service. Due to the rural location of the WIPP facility, it is important that these first responders understand the importance of medical evacuation capabilities, including setting up an appropriate landing zone for the helicopter and assisting the pilot in landing the aircraft. The WIPP Fire Department's mission is to provide the best and most effective medical treatment available for the WIPP workforce and surrounding communities.

### **Next WIPP Town Hall Meeting Scheduled July 2**

The City of Carlsbad and DOE will co-host a Town Hall meeting featuring updates on WIPP recovery activities. The meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 2 at 5:30 p.m. Location: Carlsbad City Council Chambers, 101 N. Halagueno Street. Live streaming of the meeting can be seen at <http://new.livestream.com/rvv/>.

