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MESSAGE: Just a "head-up", George Dias will probably give this schedule to Mark Weidler and the Governor on Monday.
Notes and Differences to NMED's WIPP RCRA Permitting Schedule dated 10/18/95:

1. Public Hearing date and location is determined and set when the public notice of draft permit is issued, not after the public notice for comment deadline or NMED's response to public notice comments.
2. Duration reflects working days, not calendar days.
3. Reduced the time to develop the draft permit from 120 working days to 60 working days.
4. Increased the total time to respond to the public meeting and public notice comments from 22 working days to 74 working days.
5. Identified (as necessary) a public hearing time frame from 22 working days to encompass the hearing(s) to 2 working days for a hearing in Carlsbad.
6. Reduced the time to finalize the permit and complete responses from the public hearing from 75 working days to 45 working days.
7. Reduced the time for NMED Director review of the permit from 22 working days to 1 working day.