



Carlsbad Area Office MONTHLY CALENDAR

Milestones and Involvement Opportunities
November 1996

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November 11 -- Citizens Tour of the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant, Carlsbad, New Mexico. **Sign up now!**

November 14 -- Functional table-top exercise and planning meeting for WIPPTRAX 97-1 (WIPP Emergency Response Field Exercise), Las Vegas, NM. Call John Shea (505/827-9221) for confirmation and additional details.

November 21 -- New Mexico WIPP Public Awareness "Open House" in Roswell, NM, featuring the TRUPACT-II truck, 3:00 - 7:00 p.m., (Location: Roswell Mall, 4501 N. Main)

November 26 -- WIPP Quarterly Review Meeting (Environmental Evaluation Group offices, 7007 Wyoming Blvd., N.E., Suite F2, Albuquerque, New Mexico)

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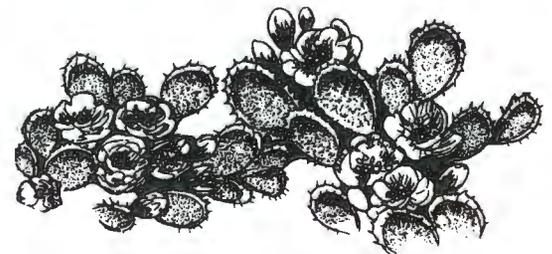
December 2-3 -- Joint public meeting of the New Mexico Radioactive Waste Consultation Task Force and the Interim Radioactive and Hazardous Materials Committee of the New Mexico State Legislature, NMSU-Carlsbad, 9:30 - 4:00 p.m., Carlsbad, NM. Contact Chris Wentz (505/827-1372) or Gordon Meeks (505/986-4600) for additional information.

December 9 -- Citizens Tour of the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant, Carlsbad, New Mexico. **Sign up now!**

December 10 -- New Mexico WIPP Public Awareness "Open House" in Artesia, NM, featuring the TRUPACT-II truck, 3:00 - 7:00 p.m., (Location: Artesia High School, Special Services Room, 1006 W. Richardson Avenue)

December 11 -- New Mexico WIPP Public Awareness "Open House" in Carlsbad, NM, featuring the TRUPACT-II truck, 3:00 - 7:00 p.m., (Location: Carlsbad Mall, 2302 W. Pierce Street, on the north side of town)

December 12 -- New Mexico WIPP Public Awareness "Open House" in Loving, NM, featuring the TRUPACT-II truck, 3:00 - 7:00 p.m., (Location: Guevara Park and Community Center, R-50 South Fourth Street)



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WIPP Reading Rooms

The public is invited to review documents pertaining to the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant at the following locations:

DOE/Forrestal Building
Public Reading Room
HR-78, Room 1E-190
FOI - USDOE
1000 Independence Ave., S.W.
Washington, DC 20585

Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety
Board Library
625 Indiana Ave., N.W., Suite 700
Washington, DC 20004

Office of Scientific and
Technical Information
DOE Public Reading Room
55 Jefferson Ave.
Oak Ridge, TN 37831

Thomas Brannigan Memorial Library
200 E. Picacho Ave.
Las Cruces, NM 88002

New Mexico State Library
The Southwest Room
325 Don Gaspar
Santa Fe, NM 87501-2777

Carlsbad Public Library
101 S. Halagueño St.
Carlsbad, NM 88220

Zimmerman Library
Government Publications Department
University of New Mexico
Albuquerque, NM 87138

WIPP Public Reading Room
Environmental Restoration Program
Navajo Nation - EPA
FD Building
FO433
Fort Defiance, AZ 86504

Raton Public Library
244 Cook Ave.
Raton, NM 87740

Martin Speare Memorial Library
New Mexico Institute of Mining
and Technology
Campus Station
Socorro, NM 87801



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1-800-336-WIPP
(1-800-336-9477)

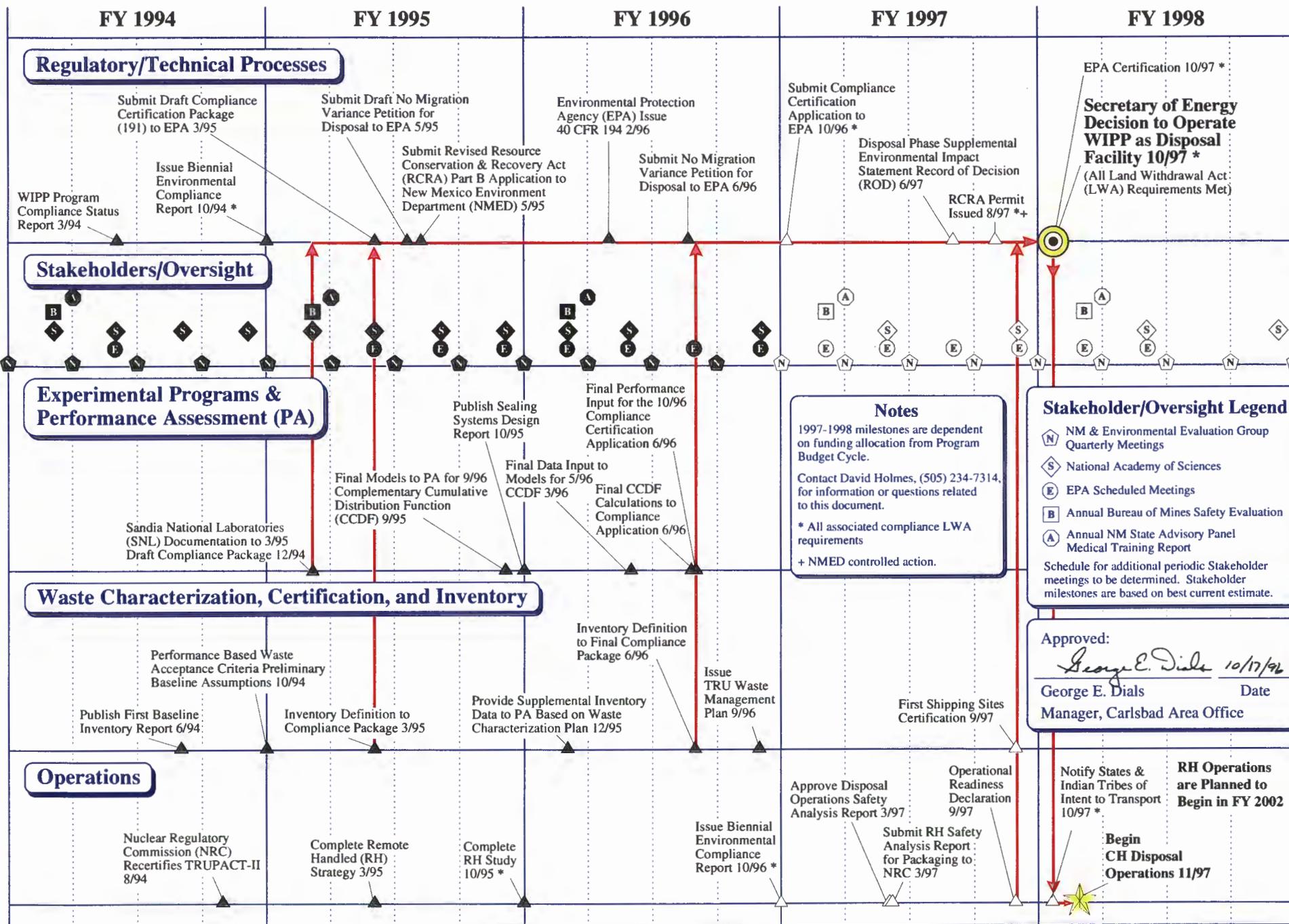
WIPP Home Page
<http://www.wipp.carlsbad.nm.us>



Special Inside
Latest revision of the Disposal Decision Plan

WIPP Disposal Decision Plan

Revision 3
October 17, 1996



Revision #3 to Disposal Decision Plan
October 17, 1996

Several changes were made to the Disposal Decision Plan, some resulting from a recent amendment to the 1992 WIPP Land Withdrawal Act, and some due to other reasons. A summary of these changes follows.

Changes from WIPP Land Withdrawal Act Amendment of September 23, 1996

Removed: Submission of Comprehensive Disposal Recommendation by 5/97. Originally, the Secretary of Energy was required to submit to Congress comprehensive recommendations and a timetable for the disposal of all transuranic waste under DOE control.

Removed: Issuance of Decommissioning & Post Decommissioning Plan by 9/97. Originally, the Secretary of Energy was required to submit to Congress plans for decommissioning the WIPP and managing the post-decommissioning phase.

Removed: Issuance of No Migration Determination by 6/97. Originally, the WIPP was required to meet the "no migration" standard in the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act. This requirement is redundant to the more stringent radioactive waste disposal criteria.

Other Changes

Added: Certification of First Shipping Site by 9/97. The DOE Carlsbad Area Office requires that each site be certified before it can ship any transuranic waste to the WIPP. This milestone was added as an essential component of readiness to deliver waste to the WIPP.

Moved: Issuance of Biennial Environmental Compliance Report by 10/96. This milestone was moved from the Regulatory/Technical Process line to the Operations line because the information in the report does not directly support the Compliance Certification Application or other permitting requirements.

Date Changed and Titled Renamed: Submission of RH Safety Analysis Report for Packaging to Nuclear Regulatory Commission by 3/97. The title and date were changed from "NRC Approval of RH Safety Analysis Report for Packaging 9/96" to clarify the intent and achieve Nuclear Regulatory Commission certification of the remote-handled shipping container prior to shipment of remote-handled waste.

Removed: Operation of Carrier by 6/97. A carrier contract for the transportation of transuranic waste was awarded to CAST in 1994.

Date Changed: Issuance of RCRA Permit by 8/97. The latest projection by the state of New Mexico is that it may issue a draft RCRA permit in December 1996. The DOE estimates a final permit could be issued in August 1997.

Date Changed: Disposal Phase Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS-II) Record of Decision by 6/97. This milestone has been changed to 6/97 due to delays in approving the SEIS-II Implementation Plan and the need to do additional accident analyses for the Draft SEIS-II.