

Waste Isolation Pilot Plant Environmental Policy Statement

Salado Isolation Mining Contractors (SIMCO) considers the protection of workers, the public, and the environment to be the highest priority as we conduct activities at the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP) project.

While fulfilling the WIPP mission of safe and environmentally sound disposal of transuranic waste, we will operate within the following strategic principles.

- **Environment Protection:** Strive to prevent pollution, protect land, habitats, air and water quality, ecological sensitive areas, cultural resources and act to correct conditions that endanger the environment.
- **Compliance Obligations:** Meet or exceed all applicable environmental laws, regulations, directives, plans, and procedures while conducting WIPP facility operations.
- **Environmental Performance Objectives:** Review the work scope of WIPP operations on an annual basis for environmental impacts and develop meaningful objectives and targets to drive continual improvement of our environmental performance.
- **Sustainable Environmental Management:** Strive to diminish our consumption of natural resources (energy, water, materials), use sustainable products, minimize waste generation, and recycle or reuse materials, when viable.
- **Environmental Communication:** Promote environmental best practices throughout the organization and provide employees, stakeholders and interested members of the public, timely, accurate, and meaningful information related to our environmental policy and performance.

The WIPP **Environmental Management System (EMS)**, part of the **WIPP Integrated Safety Management System (ISMS)**, provides the formal, organized process whereby SIMCO ensures this policy is implemented. The WIPP EMS will be routinely evaluated/reviewed and continually improved in order to enhance environmental performance.

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