



## Announcement of Public Meeting

### Requested Modifications to the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant Hazardous Waste Facility Permit

- WHO:** U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Carlsbad Field Office and Salado Isolation Mining Contractors, LLC (SIMCO)
- WHAT:** DOE and SIMCO will conduct a public meeting to provide information on the Class 2 Permit Modification Request for the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP) Hazardous Waste Facility Permit (Permit) for the following items:
- Revise Reporting Frequencies and Specify Reporting Periods Associated with the Volatile Organic Compound Data Summary Report
  - Revise Reporting Frequencies, Incorporate Groundwater Surface Elevation Report into Annual Culebra Groundwater Report, and Delineate Reporting Periods Associated with the Water Level Monitoring Programs
  - Remove the Mine Ventilation Rate Monitoring Report from Permit Part 4 and Permit Attachment A2, Remove Permit Attachment O
- WHEN:** Wednesday, May 20, 2026  
12-1:30 PM MDT
- WHERE:** Department of Energy Building  
4021 National Parks Highway  
Carlsbad, New Mexico
- Zoom:** Interested parties may also participate via the Zoom platform by using the following meeting link to register: <https://wipp.energy.gov/events-calendar.asp>
- WHY:** The Permittees have submitted a Class 2 Permit Modification Request to the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED). The following Permit changes are being requested:
- The reporting frequencies from semi-annual to annual for the Volatile Organic Compound Data Summary Report and specify the reporting period
  - The reporting frequencies from semi-annual to annual for the Groundwater Surface Elevation Report. Change the reporting periods for the Groundwater Surface Elevation Report (with the Annual Culebra Groundwater Report) to January through December (calendar year)
  - Remove the Mine Ventilation Rate Monitoring Report and Permit Attachment O

**HOW:** The Permit Modification Request is available in the WIPP Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) Permit Information Repository at <https://wipp.energy.gov/information-repository-index.asp> and at the WIPP Information Center, Department of Energy / Skeen-Whitlock Building, 4021 National Parks Highway, Carlsbad, NM. To obtain additional information about this Permit Modification Request, contact Bobby St. John at 800-336-9477. A copy of the requested Permit modifications may also be obtained from the NMED at the address listed below.

**COMMENTS:** Electronic comments for the record can be submitted to NMED's public comment portal at <https://nmed.commentinput.com/>. Written comments for the record must be sent to the NMED contact person at the address below and received no later than 5 p.m. MDT on June 22, 2026. The Permittees' compliance history during the life of the Permit being modified is also available from the NMED.

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**WIPP Permit Community Relations Plan**

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