

# CARLSBAD TOWN HALL MEETING

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U.S. Department of Energy  
Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP)

May 15, 2014



# Meeting Agenda

- Opening Comments – Mayor Janway
- Panel Member Introductions – John Heaton (Moderator)
- CBFO Manager Remarks – Dana Bryson
- Update on Phase 3 Activities – Tammy Reynolds
  - May 10 Entry
  - Today's Entry
  - Ventilation System Status
- Close-out of Bioassay Program – Jim Stafford
- Audience Questions
  - One question at a time please

# OPENING COMMENTS

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**Dana Bryson, CBFO Deputy Manager**

# This Week's Events

- Joe Franco in Washington
- Town Hall Agenda
  - May 10 and May 15 Entries
  - Ventilation System
  - Bioassay Closeout



# UPDATE ON RECOVERY ACTIVITIES

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**Tammy Reynolds, NWP Deputy Recovery Manager**

# Event Investigation Continues



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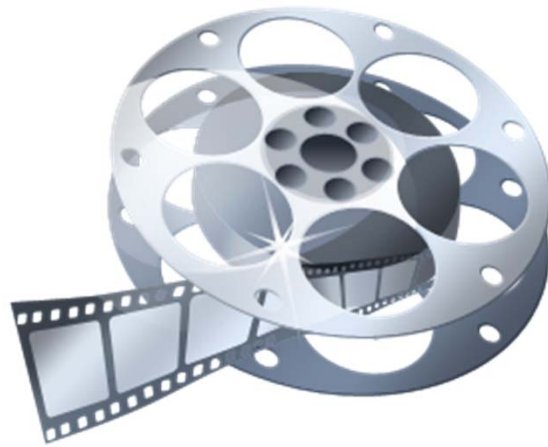
- May 10 Entry
  - Teams entered Room 7
    - Used telescoping boom to obtain overhead photos of the waste stacks
    - Visual evidence revealed melted plastic and rubber on waste containers and drums
    - Experts are reviewing visuals to get a better understanding of the cause of the event



# Video from May 10 Entry

- Video available at:

[http://www.wipp.energy.gov/wipprecovery/photo\\_video.html](http://www.wipp.energy.gov/wipprecovery/photo_video.html)





# Today's Entry Results



- Additional photos/video shot of a couple of suspect areas
- We will analyze the information and plan our next entry

# Ventilation and Filter System Status

- Filter replacement slated for later this month
  - Equipment for Savannah River is on-site at WIPP to perform change-out
  - Fans, filters are operating fine
  - Allowed us to make additional entries



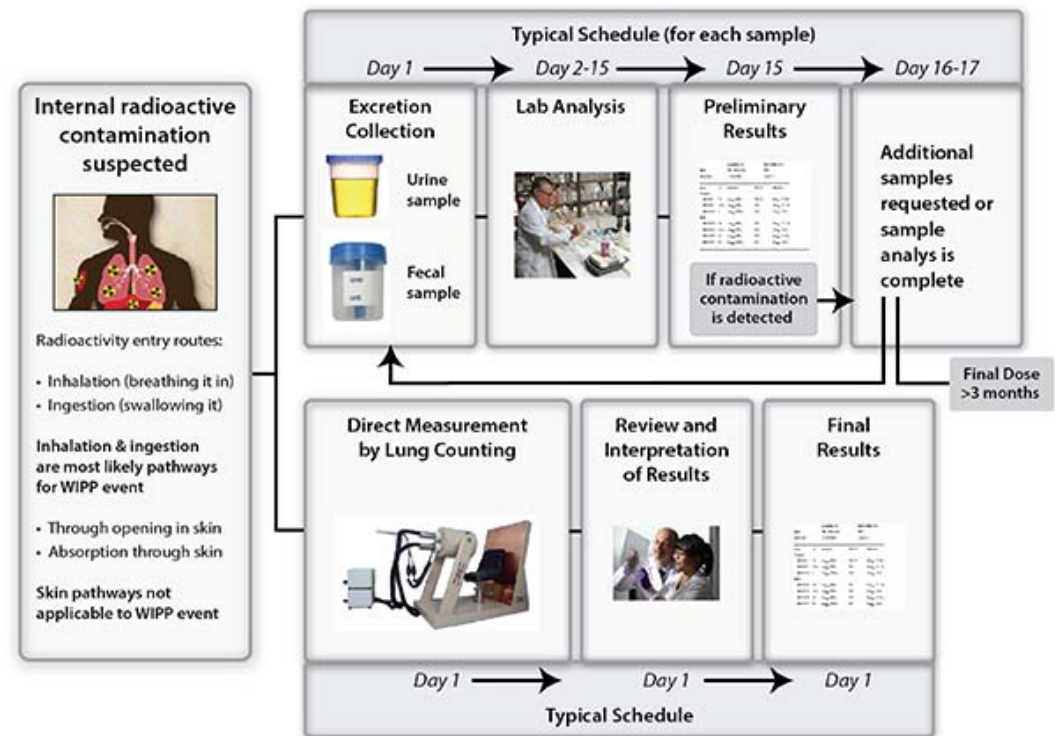
# CLOSEOUT OF BIOASSAY PROGRAM

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**Jim Stafford, ESH Recovery Manager**

# Event Bioassay Program Complete

- 140 WIPP employees participated in the testing
  - Initial testing showed:
    - 1 positive urine test
    - 21 positive fecal tests
    - 0 positive whole body count test
  - Follow-up testing showed:
    - 22 employees less than 10 millirem
    - All other employees below detectable limits
  - No dose is assigned
  - No health consequences are expected
- Letters and notification of the results sent to employees



# QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

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