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WIPP UPDATE: June 6, 2014

Work continues to obtain video footage in Room 7

A team consisting of members from WIPP, the Los Alamos National Laboratory, the Savannah River National Laboratory, and the Accident Investigation Board is working to develop a platform system that eases the process and improves camera access to evaluate waste containers in Room 7 of Panel 7. To date, employees have been unable to examine waste containers at the back of Room 7. The team is researching various technologies and applications that will allow them to access these areas with cameras. Entries into the underground facility are currently on hold while the filters are being replaced.

Filter replacement activities continue on schedule

The filter change-out team from the Savannah River Site continues preparing for replacing filters at WIPP. The team has participated in extensive training to practice for the actual filter replacements to help ensure safe and seamless completion of the work. The filter replacement work will be conducted at night due to extremely high daytime temperatures and is scheduled to begin next week.

CBFO Manager's weekly update to local residents

Read Carlsbad Field Office Manager Joe Franco's letter to Eddy and Lea County residents for the week of June 2 at http://www.wipp.energy.gov/pr/2014/6_6_14_CBFO_Manager_Ltr.pdf

Community meetings scheduled

The weekly town hall meetings co-hosted by the City of Carlsbad and DOE will now occur every two weeks. This decision was made in an effort to keep the meetings meaningful and informative to those

that participate. WIPP recovery efforts are maintaining a steady pace and many current activities require extended periods of time to implement and complete. Town hall meetings are scheduled for the first and third Thursday's of the month, with the next meeting occurring June 19.

June 19 – The City of Carlsbad and DOE will co-host its bi-weekly meeting featuring updates on WIPP recovery activities. The meeting is scheduled Thursday at 5:30 p.m. Location: Carlsbad City Council Chambers, 101 N. Halagueno Street. Live streaming of the weekly meetings can be seen at <http://new.livestream.com/rrv/>.