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Carlsbad Town Hall Meeting

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Agenda

- Opening Comments – Mayor Dale Janway
- Moderator – John Heaton
- Update on CBFO and WIPP activities – Sean Dunagan
- Recovery Status – Bob McQuinn
- Audience Questions
  - In house
  - Internet
- Closing Comments – Sean Dunagan

Update on CBFO and WIPP Activities

Sean Dunagan, CBFO Recovery Manager

WIPP Recovery Progress

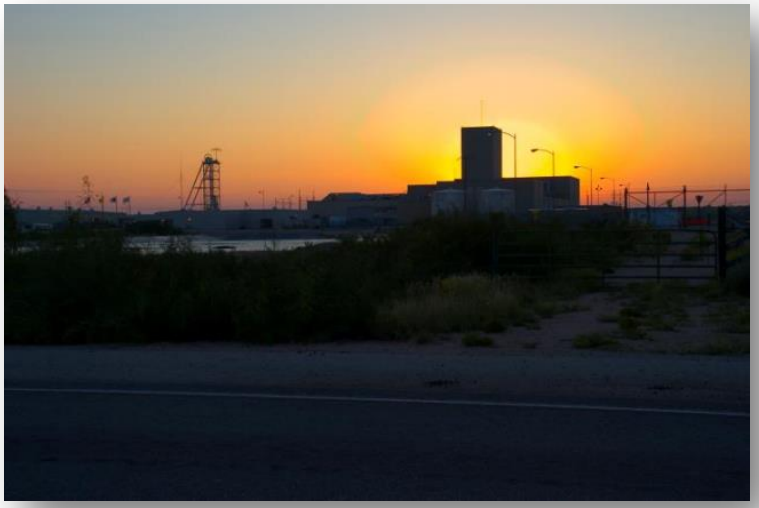
- General Principles of Agreement
- DNFSB Hearing
- Panel 6 Initial Closure Status
- Panel 7, Room 7 Closure Status

Recovery Status

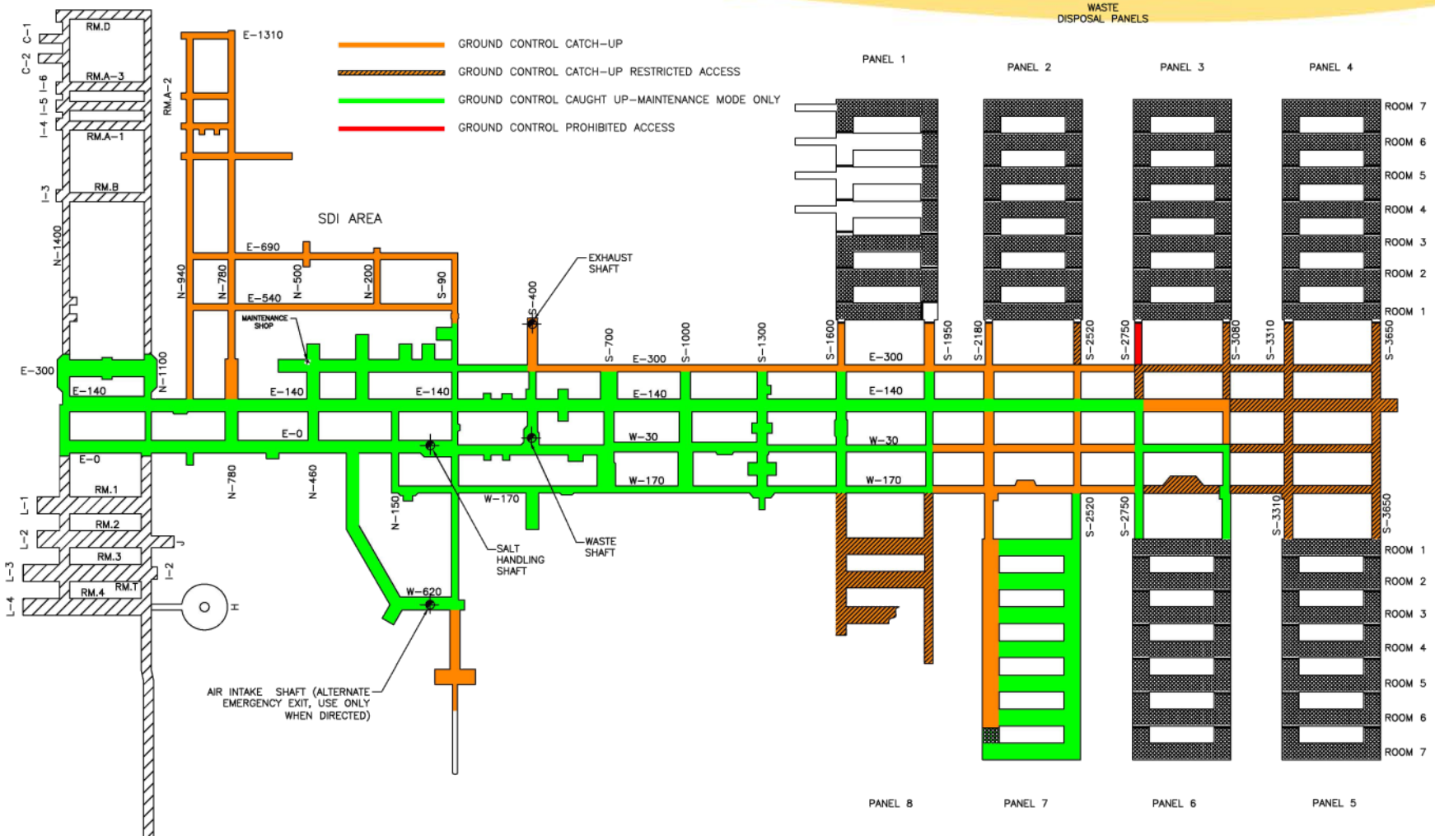
Bob McQuinn, NWP President and Project Manager

Strengthening Temporary Safety Basis

- Temporary Safety Basis violation on April 20 led to 100% review of Temporary Safety Bases control implementation
- Conducted three days of special work pauses to improve the implementation
- Integrated effort with management providing training and employees providing feedback
- Based on the outcome of these meetings, 7 Temporary Safety Bases will be consolidated to 1

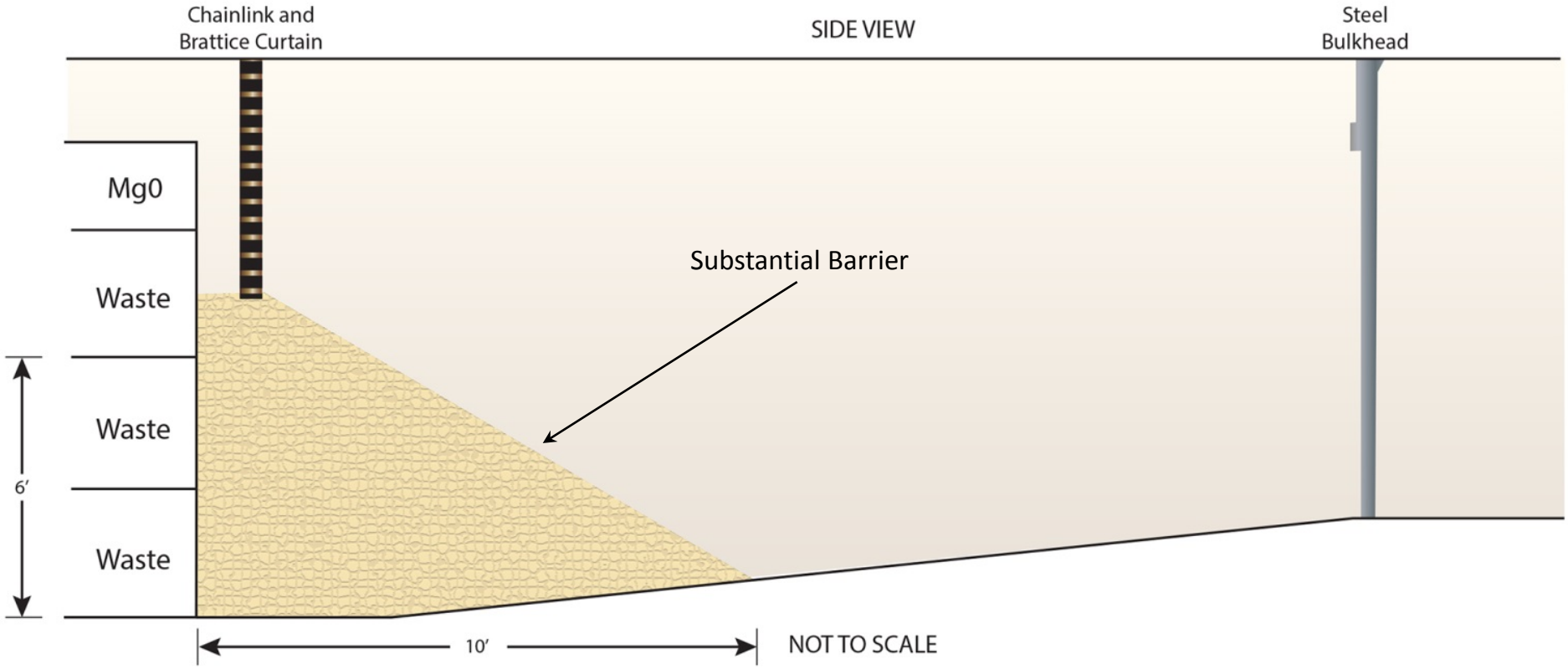


Ground Control



- **Bolting activities are continuing in both uncontaminated and contaminated areas**
  - Over 1,900 bolts installed as part of the "catch-up" bolting activities

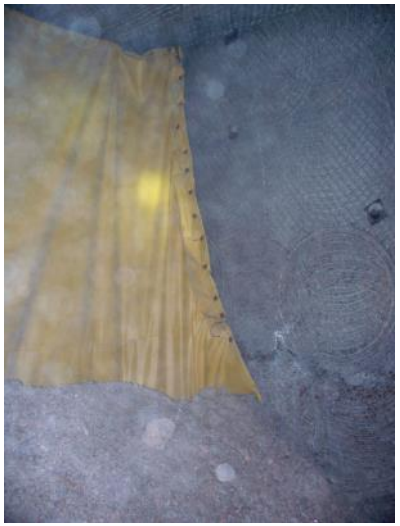
Initial Closure of Panel 6



"Substantial barrier" means salt or other non-combustible material installed between the waste face and the bulkhead

Panel 6 Initial Closure

- ✓ Closure of air intake side complete
- ✓ Chain-link, brattice, and 10 feet of mined salt placed at the air exhaust side of Panel 6
- ✓ Bulkhead installed
- ✓ Installation of the flashing completed



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- Brattice and chain link anchored on the air intake side of Panel 7, Room 7
- Bulkhead has been installed (on inlet side) with flashing work remaining
- Completion forecast in June

Interim Ventilation System

- April 13 – Fan/Filter units received at WIPP
- April 17 – During receipt inspection, damage was identified
- May 1 – Both units were relocated to the Carlsbad NFT/EPD facility for further inspection and repairs

Introducing Phil Breidenbach

- Phil Breidenbach has been selected to serve as the President and Project Manager for Nuclear Waste Partnership

- Quick Bio
  - 30 years of experience in operations and project management at nuclear facilities
  - Experience working at facilities in “recovery mode” at two sites
  - Most recently worked as Director of Nuclear Operations at the Materials and Fuels Complex at INL
  - Bachelors degree in metallurgical engineering, registered professional engineer, and certified project manager.

Questions
&
Answers

Closing Comments

Sean Dunagan, CBFO Recovery Manager