

CARLSBAD TOWN HALL MEETING

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

October 16, 2014



Meeting Agenda

- Opening Comments – Mayor Dale Janway
- Introductions / Guidelines – Tim Runyon (Moderator)
- Recent Activities at WIPP – CBFO Manager Joe Franco
- Acting Assistant Secretary of Environmental Management–
Mark Whitney
- Recovery Plan Progress Update– NWP President and
Project Manager Bob McQuinn
- Audience Questions
- Closing Comments – CBFO Manager Joe Franco

Update on Recent Activities at WIPP

Joe Franco

Carlsbad Field Office Manager

Department of Energy

- Release of the Recovery Plan
- Interim ventilation procurement
- REACH system staged ready for deployment
- First movement of the waste hoist
- Rollback progress



Underground Tour Oct. 16th



Team takes salt hoist to underground



Underground Tour Oct. 16th



CBFO's Joe Franco and EM's Mark Whitney discuss WIPP underground layout



NWP's John Vandekraats describes roof bolting

Message from DOE Environmental Management

Mark Whitney

Acting Assistant Secretary

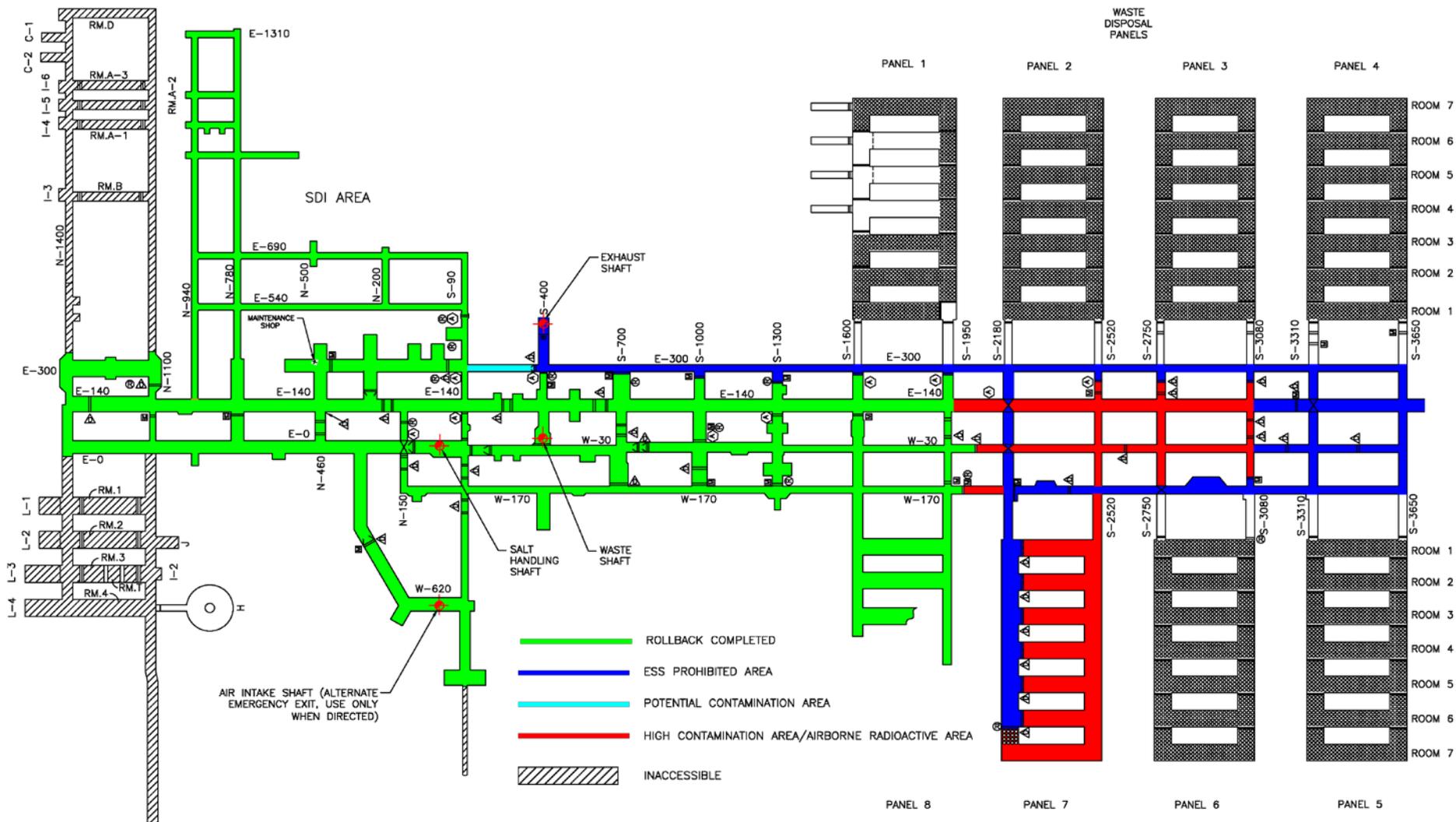
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Recovery Plan Progress Update

Bob McQuinn

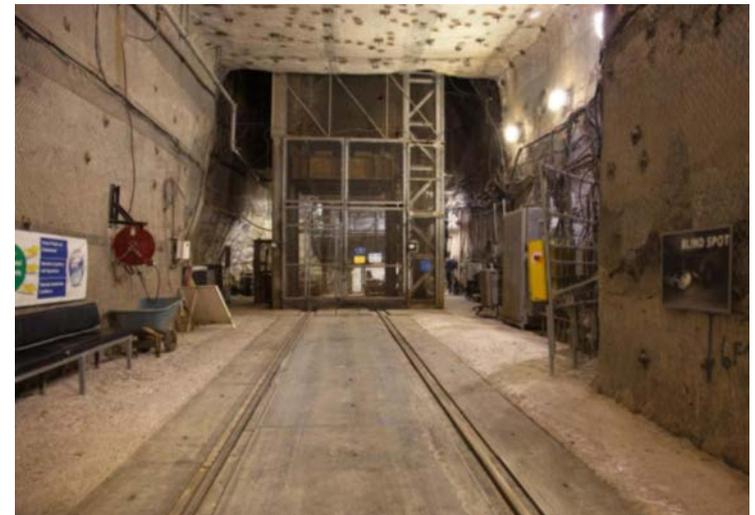
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Rollback Progress



Recovering the Underground

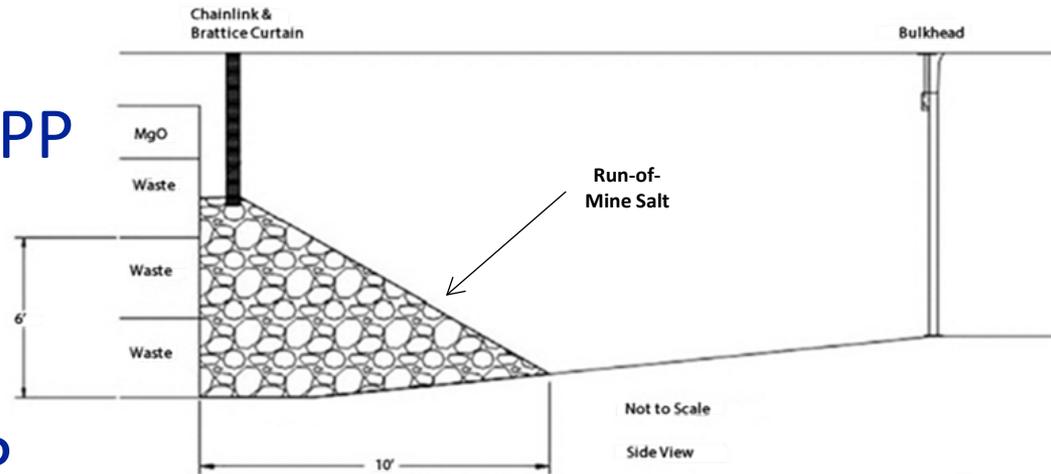
- Resumption of bolting a high priority
 - Preventative maintenance activities on equipment nearing completion
- Waste hoist
 - Camera inspection of shaft/ropes completed
 - Preventive maintenance progress good
 - NDE of ropes completed
 - Scaling of buildup in shaft underway



Panel 6 Closure Plans

- Closure of Panel 6 is a high priority of the WIPP recovery plan
- NMED approved the initial closure for WIPP Panel 6
 - Includes chain-link, brattice, run-of-mine salt and bulkheads

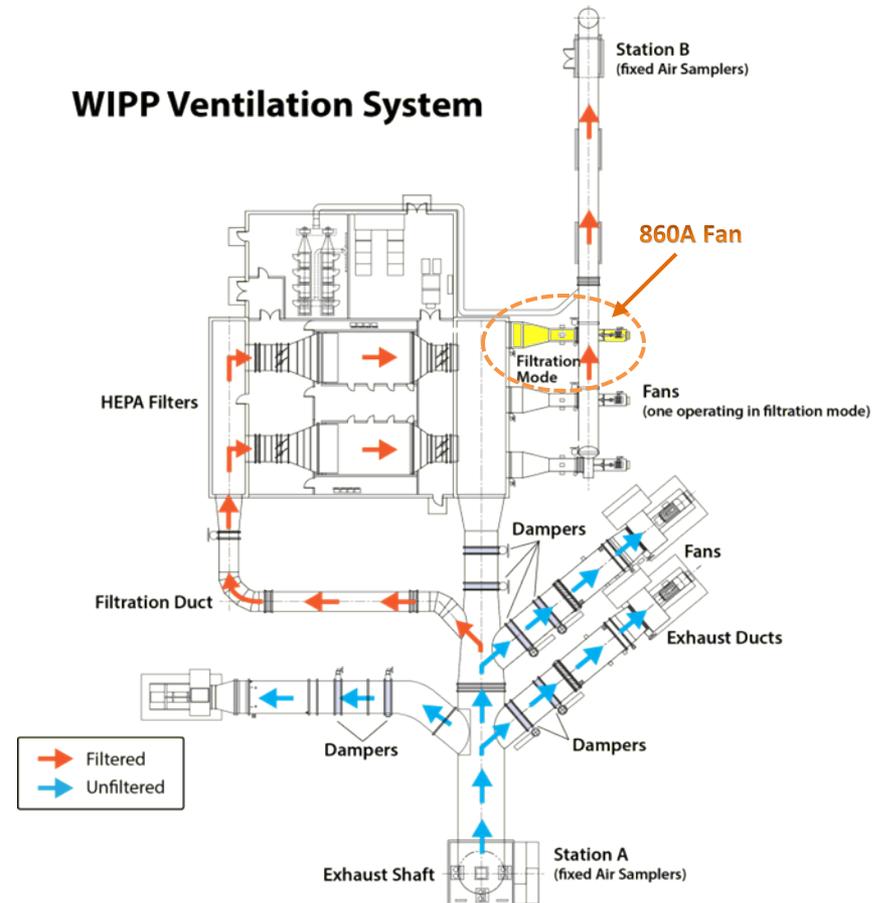
Initial Closure in Panel 6



Steel Bulkhead

860A Fan Restart

- Surface fan 860A is one of three ventilation fans that operate when WIPP is in filtration mode
- 860A operated during event and for two months following
- Scheduled to go back into service in October to assure overall reliability of filtration system
- When the fan is restarted, a small amount of residual contamination may be released
- Precautions are being taken to ensure protection of workers and the environment
- Enhanced environmental monitoring will occur





SafetyFest of Southeastern NM

- Three-day safety conference/training event
- Dynamic speakers, industry experts, vendor booths
- Emphasis on workplace and roadway safety
- Offers accredited safety classes free of charge
- Register at <http://safetyfestsenm.com>



United Way Campaign

- WIPP has great support from the local community
- The United Way meets many of the community's needs
- NWP is pleased to support the United Way in building a stronger and healthier community
 - WIPP will begin its 2014 United Way support campaign next week
 - NWP produced the Carlsbad United Way 2014-2015 campaign video & designed campaign materials

Questions and Answers

Closing Comments

Joe Franco

Carlsbad Field Office Manager

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