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Video Highlights Accomplishments, Path Forward for WIPP

Participants at the Waste Management Symposium in Phoenix learned last week about the progress that has been made to recover the Department of Energy's Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP) and what steps remain to restart WIPP, the nation's only deep-geologic repository for defense transuranic waste later this year. As part of the update, WIPP's leadership team showed a short video that provides key elements of the recovery progress and restart activities. View the video here or at

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VOK9bW4W94E&feature=youtu.be.

DNFSB Hosts Public Hearing on LANL TRU Waste Management

On March 22, the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board (DNFSB) will host a public hearing to gather information regarding the hazards to the public and workers posed by the management of transuranic (TRU) waste at Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL) as well as the Department of Energy's (DOE) plans to address those hazards. The hearing is being held at the Santa Fe Community Convention Center, 201 West Marcy St., Santa Fe, NM and will also be presented live through Internet video streaming. There will be two sessions, Sessions #1 at 5-6:30p.m. (MDT) and Session #2 at 6:45-9:00 p.m. (MDT). A link to a video-stream of the meeting will be available on the Board's Web site at <u>www.dnfsb.gov</u>. Further information about the hearing can be found on the DNFSB web site at <u>http://www.dnfsb.gov/board-activities/public-hearings/los-alamos-national-laboratory-transuranic-waste-management-public-</u>.

Next WIPP Town Hall Meeting Scheduled April 7

The City of Carlsbad and DOE will co-host its Town Hall meeting featuring updates on WIPP recovery activities. The meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 7 at 5:30 p.m. (MDT) Location: Carlsbad City Council Chambers, 101 N. Halagueno Street. Live streaming of the meeting can be seen at http://new.livestream.com/rrv/.