

New Mexico Environment Department

San Juan Generating Station Cleanup – HB 142 (2023): Update to Radioactive and Hazardous Materials Committee

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San Juan Generating Station (HB 142)

- Overview of Site
 NMED FY25 Plan
- Current StatusTimeline





San Juan Generating Station Site







San Juan Generating Station Remediation Overview

- FY25: \$300k personnel \sim \$4k spent to date \$560k contracting Beginning Aug/Sep 24
 - Evaluate potential environmental contamination risks with records review and interviews

Budgeting \$25k



PHASE I

CLEAN-UP

PLAN

ESA

- Measure and evaluate the scope of potential environmental contamination - Collection of samples
- □ Budgeting \$TBD, may include multiple iterations



Step

Set remediation goals and steps for clean-up

□ Budgeting \$50k



San Juan Generating Station Remediation Plan Milestones – Current Progress

PNM is decommissioning its infrastructure

- PNM is moving final on-site fly ash and coal combustion residuals to mine
- Groundwater measurement data review from PNM reports
- Developing a work plan and preparing information handover with potential contractor partner



San Juan Generating Station Remediation Plan Milestones – Looking Ahead

Step 1	Step 2	Step 3
PHASE I ESA	PHASE II ESA	CLEAN-UP PLAN
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Aug Sept Oct Nov	Dec Jan Mar	Apr May June July

SITE RECON

Inspect site and neighboring properties for environmental risks and document conditions

INTERVIEWS + PRELIM REPORT

Interview owners and officials, summarize findings, and recommend actions based on environmental concerns

Plan project, collect samples to assess potential environmental contamination

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Analyze collected samples to identify and quantify environmental contaminants

DATA

ANALYSIS

Summarize findings and develop plan for clean-up based on site investigations.

FINAL REPORT

FINALIZE + PRESENT

Finalize report and present findings, and recommendations to the legislature.



San Juan Generating Station Remediation Public Involvement Plan

INITIAL PUBLIC MEETING

Gather community concerns about potential contamination risks

Step 2

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SCOPINGShare testing plans, results, and involve community inFEEDBACKunderstanding contamination scope

CLEAN-UP PLAN FEEDBACK

Present clean-up goals and actions, and gather public input for remediation strategy



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San Juan Generating Station Remediation PNM's Involvement



PHASE IIFacilitate site access for groundwater measurementESAinstallation and data collection.

CLEAN-UP PLAN Provide feedback on additional remediation needs and identify how to implement the proposed remediation clean-up plan.



San Juan Generating Station – PNM's Responsibilities

- Total financial assurance to enact the remediation plan through existing Discharge Permits (DP):
 - DP-306 (solid waste pit) and DP-1327 (SJGS Process wastewater): \$46 million
 - DP-1843 (Shumway Arroyo Groundwater Recovery System): To be determined at permit renewal (FY25).
- □ Regulatory Authority Options:
 - Option 1: Remediation under the DPs (invoke Contingency Plan for source control)
 - Option 2: Abatement of GW pollution per NMED rule
 - Both options may be implemented



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QUESTIONS?