

State of New Mexico Waste Isolation Pilot Plant Transportation Safety Program

EMNRD

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WIPP Task Force

- Authorized by the [Radioactive and Hazardous Materials Act \[Section 74-4A-2 through 74-4A-14 NMSA 1978\]](#)
- Comprised of five Cabinet Secretaries or their designee, and the State Fire Marshal or their designee
- Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management by statute is not part of the Task Force
- The Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the joint interim legislative Radioactive and Hazardous Materials Committee, or their representatives, participate as advisory members



Duties of the Task Force

- Negotiating on behalf of the State of New Mexico with the federal government in all areas relating to the siting, licensing, and operation of new federal disposal facilities for high-level, transuranic, and low-level radioactive wastes -- *e.g.*, the Department of Energy's Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP)



Duties continued...

- Conducting technical and policy analyses of related issues;
- Recommending legislation to implement the State's policies with respect to new federal disposal facilities;



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- Identifying and disseminating information on impacts associated with those disposal facilities;
- and coordinating any related investigations or studies undertaken by state agencies

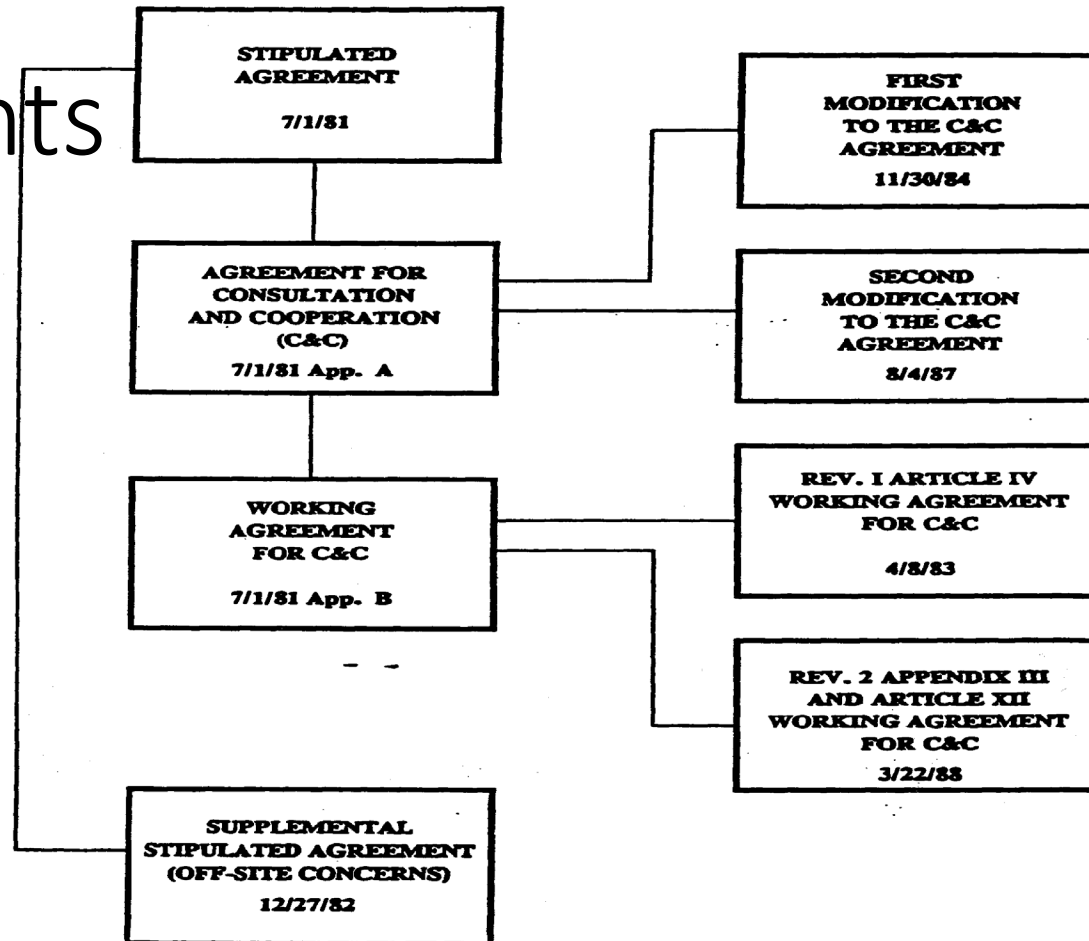


How EMNRD monitors radioactive waste shipments...

- The EMNRD does not *regulate* radioactive waste shipments
- The EMNRD through the Task Force has oversight of WIPP shipments
 - This is supported through the Consultation and Cooperation Agreement between the State of New Mexico and the U.S. Department of Energy, July 1, 1981, as amended
- DHSEM is the Governor's Authorized Representative for all Highway Route Control Quantity (HRCQ) Shipments and all Rail Route Control Shipments
 - 10 CFR 37.43(d) for Category 1 and Category 2
- The NM DPS adopted 49 CFR in its entirety regarding hazardous material shipments for highway

FORMAL DOE/STATE AGREEMENTS

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Program Guiding Document for WIPP Shipments

- The WIPP Transportation Safety Program Implementation Guide is the guiding document for WIPP transports in the West
- Managed through the Western Governors Association Technical Advisory Group (WGA TAG);
- Transition to the Western Interstate Energy Board High Level Radioactive Waste Committee (WIEB HLRW)
- Can be found at <https://westgov.org/reports/article/wipp-transportation-safety-program-implementation-guide>



WIPP Working Group

- The WIPP Working Group is comprised of Coordinators in five Departments (EMNRD, DPS, DOH, DHSEM, and NMED).
 - Managed through EMNRD
- The NMSP provides two programs to support the WIPP Transportation Safety Program
 - NMSP ERO
 - NMSP CVE
- The DOH and NMED provide training to hospitals and clinics
- The DHSEM provides training to emergency management agencies



WIPP Shipment Requirements

- Authority established under the WIPP Land Withdrawal Act, Public Law 102-579, as amended
- Monitored via TRANSCOM
- Various payload containers
- Transportation Container (Shipping packages)
- Marking
- Labeling
- Placarding

Questions?