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As a physician, who lives approximately 1/2 mile from the corridor used to transport the radioactive waste, I must question the wisdom of "renewal" of the WIPP permit. This is not truly a "renewal", but actually represents a major change to the scope of this project and permit. It involves moving a different kind of waste, which is potentially much more hazardous than was the waste in the original permit. Furthermore, in light of the recent and unfolding environmental disaster resulting from the derailment of a train in Ohio, which carried toxic chemicals, I believe that transporting this much more dangerous waste for thousands of miles over public highways, including those in New Mexico is a bad idea. What we have here is not "renewal" of a permit, but the request for approval of a new permit, which is of a totally different scope, with much more serious real life consequences and dressing up the new permit as a "renewal". Approval of this permit is a bad idea and should not be done. The very real risk of an accident would result in a true catastrophe much worse than the current problem in Ohio. Please do not approve this permit. Russell Daniel, MD, Santa Fe, NM 87508