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I am writing to urge the NM Environment Department to reject the proposed expansion and enhancement of WIPP that will remove limits to the WIPP mission.

The current end date for WIPP is 2014. Any permit must include an end date, so WIPP is not operational in perpetuity. The permit must limit the type of waste so as not to allow oxidized plutonium waste, a more dangerous waste than currently permitted. Transporting this waste is more dangerous to communities in New Mexico.

The WIPP must be closed, and repositories built in other states.

I urge the DOE to hold firm to its legal promises made between New Mexico and DOE.

Thank you for your consideration of these comments expressing my serious concern and fear.

Sincerely,  
Cristine Marchand