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When WHIPP was opened the citizens of New Mexico were given a definite closing date. This commitment has to be honored. We were assured the legacy waste at Los Alamos would go to WHIPP, and this would be an environmental gain for NM. This has only partly happened.

Turning LANL from a research lab to a nuclear weapons production site is insane. We lack water and housing for all the need workers. We are still dealing with cold war legacy waste. The road to Los Alamos is dangerous in winter, and there is no way to evacuate during part of the year.

Shipping nuclear waste back and forth through almost a dozen states is insane. It exposes millions of Americans to possible deadly poison. People here in NM are just beginning to awaken to the dangers. You have not been transparent in your plans. People in other states will be as upset as we are when they learn what you are planning.

It's time to go back to the drawing board.