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I am a researcher and writer in Santa Fe, New Mexico and I strongly support NMED's permit modifications to prioritize cleanup of LANL legacy waste and ensure timely disposal at WIPP. In the ten years I've lived here, I have conducted and published many interviews with scientists, physicians, and citizens of Los Alamos and the surrounding area on the history and current impacts of nuclear waste in this region. Removing the hazardous waste at Los Alamos that currently threatens the drinking water of the entire region is imperative and must be the government's number one priority. The safety and health of the human populations and ecosystems are at great risk right here in New Mexico, and it's time NMED focused their energy on cleaning up the mess, rather than generating more toxic waste.