

Penelope Mainz

Dear NMED Staff:

Thank you for your very important work for New Mexico.

As a 45-year resident of Albuquerque and a lover of the people and land of New Mexico, I write to support the WIPP Agency-Initiated Modification Draft Permit as proposed by NMED.

The above-ground storing of legacy waste in barrels in tents near people and in the New Mexico wildfire zone is irresponsible and could have tragic, irreversible results for New Mexico.

The WIPP Agency-Initiated Modification Draft Permit is desperately needed to get DOE to fulfill its legal requirements and to protect New Mexicans from the irreversible harm that could result if the legacy waste is not taken to WIPP with haste. DOE has shown it must be held accountable or it will ignore its agreement with New Mexico.

Thank you for your attention to this crucial matter.

Sincerely,

Penelope Mainz