

## Paul Davis

3. What is the relation between the two discharge permits for the 'Memorial' Recovery Trench (DP1327) and the Consent Decree Recovery Trench (DP-1843) and HB142? I thought there was no relation especially when you said, during our January 6, 2025 meeting in Santa Fe, that these facilities could be removed if they met the water quality standards for eight consecutive quarters. Specifically, I asked if that mean the 1,000 ppm for total dissolved solids and you said unequivocally 'yes.' But then commenting on my summary of our meeting you said "You are correct; however, as more data is collected other remediation strategies could be proposed and approved." In this sentence you mixed 'remediation strategies' with the discharge permits saying something about 'clean up' standards and background water quality. I, and I believe the public, would have to be happy for the criteria to be the water quality criteria and specifically the 1,000 ppm for total dissolved solids. Assuring that standards at these locations would also assure you have reached adequate cleanup of water contamination at the powerplant. However, you would only change from WQC to a 'clean up standard' if you anticipated not requiring PNM to meet basic water quality standards. That, of course, would be a huge disappointment and I personally would say that would mean a failure on your part.