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Public Meeting Scheduled Tuesday on \$3 Million Cleanup of Petroleum Contamination and Water Line Replacement for Residents in Peñasco

WHAT: Public meeting on soil excavation and water line replacement near A-1 Auto Repair in Peñasco.

The New Mexico Environment Department and A-1 Auto gas station in Peñasco began a project to clean up soil contaminated with petroleum and replace a drinking water line in Peñasco after local residents complained drinking water tasted and smelled like petroleum. About \$3 million from the New Mexico Corrective Action Fund will pay for the project. The plan involves excavating and disposing of about 11,000 cubic yards of petroleum contaminated soil from petroleum storage tanks and replacing about 700 feet of a water supply line along a stretch of N.M. 75.

WHEN: At 7 p.m., Tuesday, May 29

WHERE: Peñasco Community Center

WHO: Representatives of New Mexico Environment Department and Daniel B. Stephens & Associates, Inc. will attend the meeting to answer questions residents about the project.

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