



SUSANA MARTINEZ  
Governor  
JOHN A. SANCHEZ  
Lieutenant Governor

NEW MEXICO  
ENVIRONMENT DEPARTMENT

*Office of the Secretary*

Harold Runnels Building  
1190 Saint Francis Drive (87505)  
PO Box 5469, Santa Fe, NM 87502-5469  
Phone (505) 827-2855 Fax (505) 827-2836  
www.nmenv.state.nm.us



DAVE MARTIN  
Cabinet Secretary  
RAJ SOLOMON, P.E.  
Deputy Secretary

March 27, 2011  
For Immediate Release

Contact: Jill Turner, NMED  
Phone: (505) 222-9548

**New Mexico Environment Department Provides  
Information and Assistance with Japan Radiation Issues**

The New Mexico Environment Department's (NMED) Radiation Control Bureau (RCB) is working with federal agencies to provide information and assistance to New Mexican's regarding radiation from the Fukushima nuclear power plant in Japan.

The federal government has now created a single webpage at [www.usa.gov/Japan2011](http://www.usa.gov/Japan2011) providing information on air quality, food safety, potassium iodide, shipments from Japan, passengers from Japan, and additional information. The NMED is directing New Mexicans to this website for the most current and accurate information. The US Environmental Protection Agency is responsible for monitoring radionuclides in New Mexico. Current information can be found at: <http://www.epa.gov/japan2011/rert/radnet-data-map.html>

The government webpage and other links can also be found on RCB's webpage at: [www.nmenv.state.nm.us/nmrcb](http://www.nmenv.state.nm.us/nmrcb).

The RCB is also the New Mexico contact for the US Center For Disease Control (CDC) regarding radiation. Passengers traveling from Japan to New Mexico are being screened at the Albuquerque International Sunport. The CDC will contact the RCB if levels above background are detected. The RCB will assist with radiation testing and will assist any contaminated passengers with proper procedures for decontamination.

There continues to be no indication of radiation levels above normal and no apparent threat to New Mexico or surrounding states at this time.

###