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NMED's mission is to protect and restore the environment and to foster a healthy and prosperous New Mexico for present and future generations.

April 25 Gold King Mine Spill Citizens' Advisory Committee Meeting

Group to Discuss Spring Runoff Emergency Preparedness Plan and Long-Term Monitoring Plan

Santa Fe – New Mexico's Gold King Mine Spill Citizens' Advisory Committee, based out of San Juan County, New Mexico, meets Monday, April 25 at 5:30 p.m. in the San Juan Community College Student Center – SUNS Room (accessible through the Henderson Fine Arts Center).

Dennis McQuillan, Chief Scientist for the New Mexico Environment Department, will present progress on the [Long Term Monitoring Plan](#) and the [Spring Runoff Emergency Preparedness Plan](#). The meeting begins with the opportunity for public comment, and all are welcome to attend.

The Citizens' Advisory Committee is a group of 11 citizen volunteers from Northern New Mexico, including the Navajo Nation, who provide a forum for public concerns while tracking the scientific long-term monitoring of the Gold King Mine spill's effects in the state. The CAC works with New Mexico's [Long-Term Impact Review Team](#) established by Governor Susana Martinez to both monitor and discuss with the public the continuing effects of last summer's mine blowout, caused by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, that released three million gallons of mining wastewater laden with 880,000 pounds of metals into the Animas and San Juan River system.

For more information please visit the New Mexico Environment Department's Gold King Mine website at www.NMEDriverwatersafety.org or send an email to: NMENV-Outreach@state.nm.us

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