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RE: Technical Area 8 to Technical Area 22 Natural Gas Line Replacement Project Floodplain Assessment

NEPA Compliance Officer Dors,

On behalf of the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED), I wanted to provide the following input on the subject public notice. During the project, if asbestos waste is generated it must be properly handled. Asbestos waste is considered a special waste under the Solid Waste Rules, which requires unique handling, transportation, and disposal requirements to assure protection of the environment and the public health, welfare and safety. The Solid Waste Rules, 20.9.8.12 NMAC, which deal with asbestos waste must be followed for the safety of the community and the environment. In addition, any solid waste generated during the project, should be disposed of properly at an approved transfer station or landfill. As it states in the Solid Waste Rules, 20.9.2.8.D NMAC, anyone who generates, stores, processes, transports or disposes of solid waste shall do so in a manner that does not create a public nuisance.

Sincerely,

Jonas Armstrong, Director
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