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### **Gold King Mine Spill Citizens' Advisory Committee Meeting Monday**

*Group to Discuss Dept. of Game & Fish Information on Contaminant Concentrations*

**Santa Fe** – New Mexico's Gold King Mine Spill Citizens' Advisory Committee (CAC), based out of San Juan County, New Mexico, meets Monday, June 27 at 5:30 p.m. in the San Juan Community College Student Center- SUNS Room (accessible through the Henderson Find Arts Center).

Eric Frey, with the New Mexico Department of Game and Fish, will present on concentrations of contaminants in fish tissue and the Department's ongoing work as part of the New Mexico's Long-Term Impact Review Team for the Gold King Mine Spill.

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 systems.

For more information please visit the New Mexico Environment Department's Gold King Mine website at [www.NMEDRiverWaterSafety.org](http://www.NMEDRiverWaterSafety.org) or email us at [NMENV-Outreach@state.nm.us](mailto:NMENV-Outreach@state.nm.us).

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