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Governor Susana Martinez Highlights \$32 Million in Water and Transportation Upgrades around LANL

Los Alamos, NM — Today, Governor Susana Martinez highlighted \$32 million in water and infrastructure upgrades around Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL).

These funds provide for Supplemental Environmental Projects (SEPs) based on settlement agreements between New Mexico and the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) related to the February 2014 incidents at the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP) in Carlsbad and the associated activities at LANL.

The funds and projects in the Los Alamos area include \$10 million to build storm water control structures at LANL to increase monitoring and sampling in the area, another \$10 million to replace aging water infrastructure such as lines, meters, and others, and \$12 million to improve routes used to ship transuranic waste to WIPP – such as East Jemez Road and State Route 4 around Los Alamos.

The total estimated value of the projects provided for by the settlement agreements is estimated at \$74 million, including projects in, around, and between Los Alamos and LANL sites, Carlsbad and the WIPP site, and surrounding communities. Governor Susana Martinez said, "We negotiated a settlement, the largest ever between a state and the U.S. Department of Energy. The agreement requires the Department of Energy to pay \$74 million dollars for projects in and around Los Alamos and Carlsbad; projects that do even more to put safety first, including protecting our watersheds here in Los Alamos."

More information is available online here.

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State of New Mexico/US Dept. of Energy: \$74M Supplemental Environmental Projects

New Mexico Roads - Carlsbad Area	\$34.0
Emergency Operations Center - Carlsbad	\$4.0
Emergency Responder Training - Carlsbad	\$1.0
New Mexico Roads - Los Alamos Area	\$12.0
Potable Water Line Replacements - LANL	\$10.0
Canyon Storm Water Controls - Los Alamos Area	\$7.5
Storm Water, Increased Sampling/Monitoring - Los Alamos Area	\$2.5
External Triennial Compliance Reviews - LANL & WIPP	\$3.0

