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Notice of January 16, 2018 Public Meeting on Annual Plan for Cleanup of Los Alamos National Laboratory Legacy Waste

Santa Fe - The state of New Mexico's Environment Department and the U.S. Department of Energy's Environmental Management Los Alamos field office are hosting a public meeting January 16, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. at the Los Alamos County Council Chambers, located at 1000 Central Avenue, Los Alamos, concerning cleanup priorities for legacy waste at Los Alamos National Laboratory (LANL) for fiscal year 2018.

The Consent Order (CO) is a settlement agreement between the state of New Mexico's Environment Department and the U.S. Department of Energy that was issued in 2016. The CO provides the process by which investigation and remediation of contamination from legacy waste management activities at LANL occurs. The CO both guides and governs the ongoing cleanup of legacy waste at LANL through a campaign-based approach and the annual planning process. The annual planning process allows for revisions to cleanup campaigns based on actual work progress, changed conditions and funding. The public meeting is scheduled in accordance with Section VIII.C.d of the CO.

NMED will host the meeting and DOE's Environmental Management Los Alamos field office will present information concerning cleanup work completed in fiscal year 2017 and the coming year's cleanup milestones and target dates. The Appendix B of the CO, which includes the milestones and targets, is available on the NMED website under the Compliance Order on Consent at: <https://www.env.nm.gov/hazardous-waste/lanl/>.

Should you need additional information regarding the public meeting, please contact Neelam Dhawan at neelam.dhawan@state.nm.us or at (505) 476-6000.

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Any person with a disability requiring assistance or auxiliary aid to participate in this process should contact Donna Wright no less than 10 days prior to the end of the public comment period at the following address: New Mexico Environment Department, P.O. Box 5469, 1190 St. Francis Drive, Santa Fe, New Mexico, 87502-6110, (505) 827-9769. TDD or TDY users please access Ms. Wright's number via the New Mexico Relay Network at 1 (800) 659-8331.

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