



REGIONAL COALITION of LANL COMMUNITIES

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REGIONAL COALITION MEETING MINUTES

Los Alamos County Chambers, 1000 Central Avenue, Los Alamos

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February 12, 2015 | 9:00a—11:00a

A. Call to Order – Chair Barney Trujillo | 9:14a-

B. Confirmation of Quorum – Chair Barney Trujillo – Approved

- a. **Attendees:** Commissioner Barney Trujillo, Mayor Javier Gonzales, Councilor Kristin Henderson, Commissioner Henry Roybal, Ward Yeppa; Excused: Councilor Andrew Gonzales, Mayor Alice Lucero, Gov. Earl Salazar, Commissioner Mark Gallegos.

C. Approval of Agenda – Chair Barney Trujillo –

- a. NM Congressional Delegation Briefing moved to ‘Updates’ section. **Approved:** Mayor Javier Gonzales, Santa Fe; Second, Councilor Kristin Henderson

D. Approval of Meeting Minutes - Chair Barney Trujillo | –9:15a

- a. Approved – Mayor Javier Gonzales, Santa Fe; Second, Commissioner Henry Roybal, Santa Fe County

E. Presentation by NNSA on Supplemental Environmental Projects

Parties Involved: Department of Energy (DOE); Los Alamos National Security, LLC (LANS); New Mexico Environment Department Hazardous Waste Bureau (NMED)

Settlement Agreement

- Identifies correctives actions and designates a compliance schedule
- Specifies Supplemental Environmental Projects
- NMED has enforcement capability for non-compliance
- Projects in NNM confirmed as the following:

Project in NNM	Funding
Improve DOE/WIPP transportation routes	\$12M
Independent Triennial Reviews	\$2.5M
Storm water flow and sediment load improvements	\$7.5M
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Replace potable water lines and install metering	\$10 M
TOTAL	\$34.5M

F. Presentation by EM-LA Corrective Action - Dave Nickless

EM-LA is in Phase 2 of their Corrective Action Plans (CAPs), having concluded 24 objectives in response to safety, security and protocol measures that resulted in the WIPP breach in Feb 2014. They are still in pursuit of the 40 Judgments of Need (JONs) they have to accomplish. Overall DOE (EM Headquarters, CBFO, EM-LA, & NA-LA) and contractors (Nuclear Waste Partnership & Los Alamos National Security) established a set of integrated CAPs. Accomplished by establishing Technical and Management Teams to develop a set of integrated corrective actions as a point of departure

Below is a snapshot of what LANS, EM-LA and NA-LA were tasked with:

- LANS – 17 JONs Resulting in 58 Actions:

- 12 Address Systemic Issues (Process Engineering, Procedure Development & Safety Culture)
- 23 Improve Requirements (RCRA, Nitrate Salt, Nuclear Safety)
- 6 Implement Improvements in Procedures, Training and Qualification for Waste Packaging
- 13 Compliance (Safety Basis, Contractor Assurance & Quality Assurance)
- 4 Relate to obtaining DOE Approvals for Remediation of Nitrate Salt Waste (Stored at LANL)
- EM-LA – 6 JONs Resulting in 33 Actions:
 - 33 Focused on Oversight, Training and Safety Culture
- NA-LA – 6 JONs Resulting in 23 Actions:
 - 23 Focused on Oversight, Training and Safety Culture

At this time, the organizations have made great progress in accomplishing their JONs

ORGANIZATION	CAP ACTIONS	
	Total	Complete
NA-LA	23	7
EM-LA	33	21
LANS	58	36
Total	184	96

The CAPs are directed by the aforementioned parties who decide upon the process and progress of their work to meet the CAP goals. Overall, their goals or ‘end-state’ of where they would like to end up, and where they would like to be is in the following areas:

- Documented Roles, Responsibilities, Accountabilities and Authorities between EM-LA, NA-LA and CBFO
- Formalized Process for Performing Contractor Oversight
- Qualified staff with Experience Commensurate with Responsibilities
- Training/Qualification in-place for Oversight Positions
- Safety Culture training provided to Managers and Employees
- Improved Operational Envelope (i.e.: nuclear safety, RCRA and waste management programs)

These improvements will help the organization pivot to LANL Legacy Waste missions in integrating and coordinating improvements to help meet waste management and disposal objectives, as well as show an integrated approach for EM-LA Field Managers to work on improving oversight in waste remediation operations.

- a. Board Member Action Items (10 mins, Tab D-E)
 - i. Vote to Approve Executive Director Services Contract with ARC – Approved Unanimously
 - ii. Vote to Approve Facilitator of Strategic Planning Session with David Abelson – Approved Unanimously
- b. Updates (10 mins)
 - i. Budget (Brian Bosshardt)– Everything up to date. Only change is payment to JLH Media for Executive Director Services.
 - ii. Executive Director Update
 - a. Supply Chain Management Center Pilot Update - Unsolicited proposal to DOE Environmental Management (EM) by Regional Development Corporation for regional SCMC pilot in NM was denied.
 - b. SCMC Industry Day on February 17, 2015 an opportunity for contractors and small business owners to speak directly with commodity managers, and have direct contact (for the first time) with SCMC administrators. It was the largest forum of opportunity of the year to understand forecasting for procurement as well as meet with Scott Bissen, Director of SCMC. The Coalition recommended businesses to 1) Speak with Commodity Managers on why their business is the right one to provide goods and/or services to DOE; and 2) Prepare any and all questions on the process for SCMC approval.

- c. Participation in Manhattan Project National Park Project, Workshop, Development Process and Engagement which sets the overall framework for the Park planning, setup and execution. Attendees provided input on prioritizing the steps in the planning process. The National Park Service will follow up on the way forward having now received the roadmap on how to proceed.

Issue Briefs: NMED Settlement Agreement – the funds cam from the fee withheld from LANS, of which the Coalition was integral in helping decide this outcome. Plutonium Pit Production;

Supplemental Items: Letter to Dr. Regalbuto on priorities from the Energy Communities Alliance Intergovernmental Meeting in November 2015; SCMC Industry Day agenda;

News Articles of Interest: 'U.S. Department of Energy and New Mexico Finalize \$74M in Settlement Agreements for Nuclear Waste Incidents of 2014'; 'Richardson: Weapons grade plutonium at WIPP bad policy'; 'Robert Gibson: LANL Contract Change Merits Attention More Than Worry'; 'Mr. Moniz's Nuclear Warning'

- i. Briefing from NM Congressional Delegation (5 mins) – updates from Heinrich's and Udall's office cited praise for the Settlement Agreement between NMED/DOE, having been a part of the negotiations to bring supplemental environmental projects to NM in lieu of fines to DOE. Heinrich's office provided the update that over 400 businesses had signed up for Industry Day on Feb 18 and invited all Board Members to Attend.
- ii. Items from the Board – Mayor Gonzales requested to the LANL Community Programs office to aide in placing 55 Caterpillar employees expert in welding and other machinery in Laboratory positions due to the shutdown of the Caterpillar plant in Santa Fe. Kathy Keith, Director of the LANL Community Programs Office agreed to engage and help in the process.

d. Meetings at a Glance (5 mins)

- a. March 11, 2016, Strategic Planning Session, 9:00-1:00p at Santa Fe Convention Center

e. Public Comment (20 mins) 10:40-11:00a – No comment on record.

f. Adjournment – 10:20a