

Revised: August 12, 2026

**TENTATIVE AGENDA  
for the  
SECOND MEETING  
of the  
RADIOACTIVE AND HAZARDOUS MATERIALS COMMITTEE**

**August 13, 2026  
University of New Mexico-Los Alamos  
Building 2, Room 230  
4000 University Drive  
Los Alamos**

**Thursday, August 13**

- 9:00 a.m.           **Call to Order and Introductions**  
                          —Senator Jeff Steinborn, Chair
- 9:15 a.m.       (1)    [Los Alamos National Laboratory \(LANL\) Operations and Updates](#)  
                          —Frances Chadwick, Staff Director, LANL  
                          —Kathy Keith, Director, Community Partnerships Office, LANL
- 10:00 a.m.       (2)    [Updates from the Defense Nuclear Facilities Safety Board \(DNFSB\)](#)  
                          —Jonathan Plaue, Technical Director, DNFSB
- 10:45 a.m.       (3)    [Overview of Department of Environment \(NMED\) Cleanup Projects and Outreach](#)  
                          —Jonas Armstrong, Director, Water Protection Division, NMED
- 11:30 a.m.       (4)    [Chromium Plume Cleanup and Legacy Contamination](#)  
                          —Santiago Rodriguez, Deputy Director, Resource Protection Division, NMED  
                          —Justin Ball, Chief, Ground Water Quality Bureau, Water Protection Division, NMED  
                          —Talavi Cook, Member, Communities for Clean Water Coalition
- 12:15 p.m.       **Approval of Minutes**
- 12:30 p.m.       **Lunch**
- 1:30 p.m.       (5)    [Updates from the Carlsbad Environmental Monitoring and Research Center \(CEMRC\)](#)  
                          —Lambis Papelis, Ph.D., Director, CEMRC, New Mexico State University
- 2:15 p.m.       (6)    [Water Contamination in the Greater Chaco Region](#)  
                          —Melissa Troutman, Climate and Health Advocate, WildEarth Guardians (remote)

- 3:00 p.m.      (7)    **[Pathways to Address Proposed Uranium Mining Projects](#)**  
—Daria Roithmayr, Provost Professor of Law, University of Colorado Law School  
—Laura Watchempino, Community Advocate, Multicultural Alliance for a Safe Environment  
—Leona Morgan, Diné Community Advocate  
—TBD, New Mexico Acequia Association

3:45 p.m.      **Public Comment\***

4:15 p.m.      **Adjourn**

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