

WIPP
COMMUNITY ASSURANCE
PROGRAM

A PROGRAM TO ACHIEVE
OBSERVABLE ACCOUNTABILITY

WIPP ACCIDENT HISTORY

- SALT TRUCK FIRE
 - Poor Maintenance
 - Poor Response
 - Poor Training
- RADIOLOGIC RELEASE TO ATMOSPHERE
 - Poor Maintenance
 - Poor Response
 - Poor Training
- IMPROPER WASTE TREATMENT
 - Failure to follow prescribed treatment procedures
 - Failure to Observe Proper Treatment Was Occurring
 - Failure to Document Treatment
 - Failure to Document Outcomes from Treatment

THE ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION BOARD FINDINGS

ALL INCIDENTS WERE
PREVENTABLE!!

STATUS OF OVERSIGHT

- Reached a Point of Complacency
- MSHA had Ceased Reviewing Mine
- Training Not Competency Based
- Deferred Maintenance List Growing
- How Did CCP Process Fail?
- Siloed Oversight Agencies
- Reduced or No Observable Accountability

OVERSIGHT SOLUTION

- Create Panel of All Regulators
- Panel of CBFO, DOE HQ, NMED, MSHA, EPA, DOT, DNFSB, CEMRC
- CEMRC Acts as Convener/organizer
- Panel Reviews Each Regulator Charge
- Panel Determines Gaps & Conflicts
- Panel Assures Complete Oversight in Place
- Panel Assures Observable Accountability
- Panel Establishes Public Reporting Process

OVERSIGHT MISSION

1. Assure Compliance with DOE Orders
2. Recommend Changes to M&O Contract to emphasize Integrated Safety Management
3. Identify Funding Shortfalls of Plant & Equip
4. Provide Funding for Agencies
5. Verify Ops, Maintenance, Equip, Training, etc. Meet High Standards of Excellence
6. Verify WIPP Meets LWA
7. Assure Waste AK, Treatment, Characterization Process meets WIPP WAC
8. Verify All Safety & Crisis Response Has Occurred through Competency Based Training

STEPS TO SUCCESS

1. Bring Oversight Agencies Together
2. Establish Governance Precepts
3. Review Each Agencies Specific Role
4. Review Detailed Check Lists Reviewed by Each Agency.
5. Critically Review for Gaps & Conflicts
6. Establish Reporting Tool to Panel
7. Establish Reporting Tool to Public
8. Establish Reporting Intervals
9. Establish Any Additional Support Costs
10. Obtain Support of Local Government, Governor, Congressional Delegation
11. Obtain support of Radioactive & Hazardous Committee