The Recovery of Operations at the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant from the Radiation Release of February 2014

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The Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP), a defense related repository for transuranic mixed waste had an alpha radiation release in the underground on February 14, 2014. Emplacement operations of the transuranic waste have been suspended since the event and WIPP is working to recover operations in 2016. EPA and the New Mexico Environment Department are monitoring the recovery to assure compliance with applicable environmental regulations. This presentation offers a summary and overview of the recovery operations.