

LANL makes first shipment to WIPP

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Shipments from Los Alamos National Laboratory to the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP) in Carlsbad resumed on Nov. 8, according to Los Alamos National Laboratory. The initial shipment is loaded into a Trupact-II container at the Laboratory's Technical Area 55 on Nov. 7. The first shipment was successfully delivered to WIPP and contained sealed radioactive sources from the Off Site Source Recovery Program (OSRP). OSRP is a National Nuclear Security Administration program managed by Los Alamos National Laboratory. Since 1997, OSRP has been able to recover more than 39,400 sources from more than 1390 sites, including all 50 states, D.C., Puerto Rico and 25 foreign countries. These are excess, unwanted, abandoned, or orphan radioactive sealed sources that pose a potential risk to national security, health, and safety..