

Site-Wide Environmental Impact Statement for Continued Operation of Sandia National Laboratories/New Mexico (DOE/EIS-0556)

How to Find Information and Comment on the Scope

How do I submit scoping comments on the Site-Wide Environmental Impact Statement (SWEIS) for Continued Operation of Sandia National Laboratories/New Mexico (SNL/NM) (DOE/EIS-0556)?

The National Nuclear Security Administration (NNSA), a semi-autonomous agency within the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE), invites you to comment on the scope of the SWEIS, including the alternatives and environmental issues to be analyzed.

Ways to provide comments on the proposed scope and content of the SWEIS:

- By verbally commenting at one of the two public meetings
- By submitting comment forms available at the in-person public meeting
- By email to: SNL-SWEIS@nnsa.doe.gov
- Or by U.S. Mail to:
Attn: SNL/NM SWEIS Comments
National Nuclear Security Administration
Sandia Field Office
PO Box 5400
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87185



Comments are due by **June 5, 2023**.

Late comments will be considered to the extent practicable.

Please mark envelopes and emails as:
SNL/NM SWEIS Comments.

Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, **please be advised that your entire comment—including your personally identifiable information—may be made publicly available. If you wish for your name and/or other personally identifiable information to be withheld, please state this prominently at the beginning of your comment.** You may also submit comments anonymously.

You can use these same means to submit requests to be placed on the SWEIS mailing list, receive copies of the Draft SWEIS and request additional information.

What happens to comments submitted during the scoping period?

NNSA will review all comments received during the scoping period and consider them carefully with regard to the scope of the SWEIS. The comments will inform the range of reasonable alternatives and the environmental issues to be analyzed in the Draft SWEIS. The Draft SWEIS will describe the nature of the scoping comments received and the ways that they contributed to the development of the document.

How do I find information about the SWEIS?

NNSA will post the Draft SWEIS and related notices in the NNSA National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Reading Room (<https://www.energy.gov/nnsa/nnsa-nepa-reading-room>) and on the website for the DOE Office of NEPA Policy and Compliance (<https://www.energy.gov/nepa>, under **Latest Documents and Notices**).

NNSA has also added information to the SNL/NM website at <https://www.sandia.gov/about/environment/sweis>. This site contains documents describing SNL/NM and the SWEIS process. The Draft SWEIS will also be posted on the website when it is published (expected in 2024/2025).



For more information, see:

www.energy.gov/nnsa/nnsa-nepa-reading-room
www.energy.gov/nepa
www.sandia.gov/about/environment/sweis
www.nepa.gov
www.epa.gov/nepa

What does being on the mailing list mean?

NNSA has compiled a mailing list for the SWEIS based on the lists created for previous public involvement activities related to SNL/NM. Those on the mailing list received an announcement of the publication of the Notice of Intent along with the scoping meeting schedule and locations.

Those on the mailing list will also be notified once the Draft SWEIS is published. They will receive information on how to access the Draft SWEIS online. The notification will also include information on how to comment on the Draft SWEIS and the schedule and locations for public hearings on the draft. Finally, they will receive notification when the agencies publish the Final SWEIS and the Record of Decision. Send an email to SNL-SWEIS@nnsa.doe.gov to be added to the SWEIS mailing list.

How will I be able to comment on the Draft SWEIS?

NNSA plans to publish the Draft SWEIS for public comment in 2024/2025. Publication will be followed by a 60-day public comment period. During that time, all interested parties, including agencies (federal, state, and local), public interest groups, tribes/pueblos, local businesses, industry, organizations, and members of the public, will have an opportunity to review the document and provide comments verbally or in writing at public hearings or in writing by U.S. mail or email.

What if I have more questions?

For further information about the SWEIS, contact:

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National Nuclear Security Administration
Sandia Field Office
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Albuquerque, New Mexico 87185
email: SNL-SWEIS@nnsa.doe.gov

For general information on NNSA's process for complying with NEPA, send an email to:

AskNEPA@hq.doe.gov.

