

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY

EM-LA Issues Finding of No Significant Impact and Floodplain Statement of Findings for the Chromium Interim Measure and Final Remedy Environmental Assessment

In accordance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), and the Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) and U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) NEPA implementing regulations, the DOE Office of Environmental Management Los Alamos Field Office (EM-LA) has completed the Final Chromium Interim Measure and Final Remedy Environmental Assessment; Los Alamos, New Mexico (the EA, DOE/EA-2216). Based on analyses in the EA, EM-LA determined that its Proposed Action—to use adaptive site management (ASM) to select, implement, and manage options to remediate hexavalent chromium contamination beneath Sandia and Mortandad Canyons—would not result in any significant adverse impacts. Thus, it is not a major Federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment within the meaning of NEPA (42 United States Code 4321 et seq.), and DOE issued a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI).

The EA incorporates a Floodplain and Wetlands Assessment as the Proposed Action includes activities in floodplain and wetlands areas. In accordance with DOE's *Compliance with Floodplain and Wetland Environmental Review Requirements* (codified at 10 Code of Federal Regulations [CFR] 1022), EM-LA is also issuing a Floodplain Statement of Findings, included as Attachment A in the FONSI. In addition, EM-LA commits to the mitigation measures described in the corresponding Mitigation Action Plan (MAP), included as Attachment B in the FONSI.

The EA and FONSI, along with the attachments noted above, can be accessed online from the DOE Office of NEPA Policy and Compliance at www.energy.gov/nepa/doeea-2216-chromium-interim-measure-and-final-remedy-los-alamos-new-mexico. Additionally, the documents can be downloaded from the Los Alamos Legacy Cleanup Electronic Public Reading Room at eprr.em-la.doe.gov.