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DOE TO HOLD PUBLIC MEETING IN RIFLE, COLORADO

The U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) will hold a public meeting at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, December 3, 1985, at the Rifle City Council Chamber room to discuss progress on plans for the clean up of the two uranium mill tailings piles located in Rifle, Colorado.

Clean up of the Rifle tailings is being managed by the DOE's Albuquerque Operations Office, through its Uranium Mill Tailings Remedial Action (UMTRA) Project Office in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

During the past several months, DOE has been conducting a drilling program at several locations outside Rifle to determine a suitable site to accept the tailings, should relocation be necessary. Results from the drilling effort will be available at the December 3 meeting.

The Rifle sites are two of 24 uranium mill tailings piles to be cleaned up under the UMTRA Program. All interested citizens are encouraged to attend the meeting, which is open to the public.

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