



# NMED Public Participation Policy Policy 07-13

## Public Involvement Plan for Notice of a Remediation Plan

Leonard's Conoco  
1633 U.S. Route 66  
Santa Rosa, New Mexico

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## 1. Public Involvement Plan (PIP) Overview

The New Mexico Environment Department (“NMED” or “Department”), Petroleum Storage Tank Bureau (“PSTB” or “Bureau”) developed this Public Involvement Plan (“PIP”) for the Remediation Plan review for the Leonard’s Conoco site located at 1633 U.S. Route 66, Santa Rosa, New Mexico.

The PSTB has developed this PIP to provide public participation opportunities and information to facilitate the public’s participation in the remediation planning process related to this site.

This PIP integrates information about the community and identifies resources needed by the PSTB to successfully incorporate community participation activities into the decision-making process for the Remediation Plan. The PIP identifies the PSTB staff and resources needed to accomplish these activities.

The remediation planning process may require public participation throughout different stages. The PSTB will meet the public participation requirements for the planning process by following this PIP, which includes all applicable policy, regulatory and statutory public notice and participation requirements.

In developing this PIP, community participation needs at the site were assessed to ensure appropriate promotion of public outreach is conducted by identifying whether there is a combination of environmental and demographic factors (i.e., low-income community, minority community, limited English proficiency individuals, Linguistically Isolated Households, etc.) that may affect public participation (refer to Element 4 of this PIP). This assessment identifies community outreach needs and provides for public access opportunities above and beyond statutorily mandated requirements and underscores the provision of adequate public access to information about the remediation planning process.

As much as possible, public participation and informational activities related to the remediation planning process will be held within the timelines outlined in the table below. This timeline is tentative and subject to change; activities subject to statutory or regulatory deadlines are noted.

In the timeline for this remediation planning process, public comments may be submitted to the PSTB prior to the PSTB’s determination that the Final Remediation Plan(FRP) is acceptable. Upon a determination that the FRP is acceptable, the PSTB will implement the FRP.

The Leonard’s Conoco site is in Santa Rosa, New Mexico in an area that has a relatively large community of Spanish speakers. Therefore, the PSTB will provide information in both English and Spanish.

As deemed necessary based on knowledge of the surrounding community, arrangements may be made for translation services. At any time during the planning process, the Remediation Plan and relevant documents may be reviewed at either of the repositories listed.

More detailed information about planned PSTB outreach is available in this PIP.

<b>Activity</b>	<b>Dates</b>
Posting of PIP (PSTB website and office)	March 16, 2022
Public Comment Period for PIP	Ongoing
PIP Revision	As necessary
Posting of Revised PIP	Within 21 days of receipt of substantial comment
Public Notice of Planned Submission of Draft Final Remediation Plan by PSTB including availability of language assistance services	May 27, 2022
Submittal of Draft Final Remediation Plan	June 3, 2022
Posting of Draft Final Remediation Plan (PSTB website and office)	June 3, 2022
Second Public Notice of Submission of Draft Final Remediation Plan and posting of a notice at the site, Public Comment Period Begins	June 3, 2022; <b>NMED Public Comment Portal</b> <a href="https://nmed.commentinput.com/comment/search">https://nmed.commentinput.com/comment/search</a>
Mailing public notice to adjacent property owners by certified mail. Post signs at the facility and public notice flyer off-site, mail a public notice flyer to site owner and property owners within 1/3 mile, and place a display ad in local newspaper	June 3, 2022
Post signs at the facility and public notice flyer off-site, mail a public notice flyer to site owner and property owners within 1/3 mile, and place a display ad in local newspaper	TBD (Within 30 days of receiving administrative completeness determination letter from Ground Water Quality Bureau)
Public Comment Period for Draft Final Remediation Plan ends	June 24, 2022; <b>NMED Public Comment Portal</b> <a href="https://nmed.commentinput.com/comment/search">https://nmed.commentinput.com/comment/search</a>
Incorporation of Comments and Preparation of Final Remediation Plan	TBD

The Chief of the PSTB provides final approval of the PIP and substantial changes. This PIP is a “living” document that may be amended after considering public comments and feedback.

## 2. Contacts

Bureau contact for this PIP and the Remediation Plan is:

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Santa Fe, NM 87505  
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### ***Non-English Language Speaker Assistance and Accommodations***

The Bureau will include information about how non-English speakers or readers may call the PSTB contact listed in this PIP and request language assistance services, such as an interpreter, so they can learn more about the planning process. Services may be arranged for translation of documents, for interpreters, and for obtaining services for persons with disabilities. A phone-based interpretation service may be available for languages other than English.

Persons requiring non-English Language Speaker Assistance, assistance for an interpreter, or auxiliary aid (e.g., accommodations for persons who are disabled) to participate in the planning process will be directed to the PSTB contact listed above, and if possible, allow at least 14 days prior to the end of the comment review period.

The New Mexico Relay Network numbers will also be provided in public notices for the hearing or speech impaired: 1-800-659-1779 (voice) and 1-800-659-8331 (TTY users).

### ***Department Websites***

New Mexico Environment Department - <https://www.env.nm.gov/>  
Petroleum Storage Tank Bureau - [https://www.env.nm.gov/petroleum\\_storage\\_tank/](https://www.env.nm.gov/petroleum_storage_tank/)

### **3. Regulatory Framework for Public Participation**

There are existing federal and state laws governing the management of petroleum hydrocarbon releases and discharges to groundwater. The United States Congress enacted the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA), an amendment to the Solid Waste Disposal Act, in 1976 to ensure safe management and disposal of household, municipal and industrial waste generated nationwide. 42 U.S.C. § 6901 *et. seq.*, 42 U.S.C. § 6921 *et. seq.*

In 1984, Congress added Subtitle I to the Solid Waste Disposal Act, which required the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (“EPA”) to develop a comprehensive regulatory program for Underground Storage Tank (“UST”) systems storing petroleum or certain hazardous substances to protect the environment and human health from UST releases. 42 U.S.C. § 6991 *et. seq.* In 1988, the EPA promulgated the UST regulations (40 CFR Part 280) and the regulations for state program approval (“SPA”) (40 CFR Part 281). SPA delegates the primary responsibility of implementing the federal UST program to individual states in lieu of the EPA. NMED PSTB currently has SPA from EPA.

New Mexico’s Petroleum Storage Tank regulations, 20.5 NMAC, are promulgated pursuant to the provisions of the Hazardous Waste Act, Sections 74-4-1 through 74-4-14 NMSA 1978; the Ground Water Protection Act, Sections 74-6B-1 through 74-6B-14 NMSA 1978; and the general provisions of the Environmental Improvement Act, Sections 74-1-1 through 74-1-17 NMSA 1978.

Owners and operators (responsible parties) of petroleum storage tanks where a release has occurred which requires a final remediation plan shall develop a final remediation plan including a public notice satisfying the requirements of paragraph (10) of subsection D of 20.5.119.1923 NMAC and subsection B of 20.5.119.1928 NMAC. For state-lead sites, the NMED’s contractor will develop and implement the Final Remediation Plan. For this site, the PSTB will carry out the public notice requirements for the Final Remediation Plan.

The Department may provide for public participation in the review process as the Department deems appropriate or when there is significant public interest as provided for in subsection D of 20.5.119.1924 NMAC. If an informal public meeting, public hearing or other form of public participation is conducted, the Department may postpone its decision on the final remediation plan until after a public hearing or meeting is held and a determination is made. Any public hearing or meeting that is held due to significant public interest shall be held within 60 days of determining that there is significant public interest.

A groundwater discharge permit is required for the remediation of this site. PSTB will carry out the public notice requirements for that permit in accordance with 20.6.2.3108 NMAC of the New Mexico Ground and Surface Water Protection Regulations promulgated pursuant to the Water Quality Act, NMSA 1978, Sections 74-6-1 through 74-6-17

## ***Facility Background***

The Leonard's Conoco site is located at 1633 U.S. Route 66, Santa Rosa, New Mexico. The site was formerly occupied by a gasoline service station, which was demolished in 2000 and is now occupied by the Santa Rosa Fourth Judicial District Court. In 1991, four underground petroleum storage tanks were removed from the site. The discovery of petroleum hydrocarbon contamination of the soil after the tanks were excavated prompted the New Mexico Environment Department to initiate enforcement action.

To the northwest, the site is bordered by a Pacific Union Railroad easement. To the northeast and southwest the site is bordered by vacant, unpaved lots, followed by commercial businesses. U.S. Route 66 borders the site to the southeast, followed by a motel and residential apartments. In general, the upper 19 feet of thickness at the site includes interbedded gravelly clays, sandy clays, and silty clays. Groundwater is shallow at the site with an average depth to water of 14.1 feet below ground surface recorded in May 2021.

Investigation activities have taken place at the site since 1995, when benzene was detected in groundwater at levels exceeding the New Mexico Water Quality Control Commission (NMWQCC) Standards in three site monitoring wells. The most recent groundwater monitoring event conducted in May 2021 detected benzene and total naphthalenes in groundwater at levels exceeding the NMWQCC Standards in one site monitoring well. Depth to groundwater ranged from 13.54 to 15.07 feet below ground surface. Groundwater flow direction was estimated to be to the northwest, which is concurrent with historical site records, with a hydraulic gradient of approximately 0.016 ft/ft.

The planned investigation activities consist of pre-injection monitoring, monitoring well fluid level gauging, groundwater sampling, and laboratory analysis of groundwater samples collected at three site monitoring wells. A Final Remediation Plan will be prepared as required under 20.5.119.1923 NMAC following the forementioned investigative activities. The remedial technology is intended to reduce petroleum hydrocarbon contaminant concentration in groundwater to meet NMWQCC standards and facilitate a 'no further action' status for the site.

## **4. Affected Communities, Stakeholders, and Governments**

To provide for adequate public participation opportunities and meaningful involvement of persons in the planning process and to address potential or existing environmental justice areas, the affected communities must first be identified, informed about proposed environmental actions affecting the community, and invited to share their comments and concerns. The EJSCREEN tool developed by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) helps identify communities that are low income and minority populations that may benefit from a variety of approaches for notification and outreach communication. This information is used to help encourage the community's involvement in the public process for environmental activities or actions. In this case, the activity is consideration of a Remediation Plan for a petroleum storage tank site.

Using the results of the EJSCREEN ACS Summary Report (see Attachment 1), there are 998 households within a 4-mile radius of the site (i.e., affected community). Seventy-nine percent of the affected community are people of color, with Hispanic people accounting for 76%. Non-Hispanic people of color make up 2% of the affected community, including 1% Black people and 1% American Indian people (percentages don't add up to total due to rounding). Forty percent of people within the 4-mile radius communicate in a language other than English (non-English) at home. The percent of linguistically isolated households is 7.5%. The per capita income for the affected community is \$17,458 as compared to the national per capita income of \$32,621. These results indicate that for the affected community, the percentage of Spanish language communication (46 percent) is considerable (i.e., greater than the state or national percentage). Additionally, the EJ Screen report indicates that of the linguistically isolated households in the affected area, 100% speak Spanish.

It is important for the PSTB to consider the linguistic and communication needs of the affected community when providing notice of submission of Remediation Plans. Based on the EJSCREEN results and the Limited English Proficiency ("LEP") analysis (see Attachment 2), the PSTB will provide the same information in Spanish and English when conducting public outreach and participation activities, and when providing public notices and other announcements (brochures, signs, mailings, etc.) for the Leonard's Conoco site. The PSTB will strive to make public participation efforts as inclusive as possible within PSTB budget and time limitations.

For example, as much as possible, mass communication methods will be used in addition to public notices in appropriate newspapers or mailings, as many residents in the affected community may not have regular access to newspapers or daily postal service and may rely on publicly posted notices. Informational flyers shall be posted at the site, 1633 U.S. Route 66, Santa Rosa, New Mexico that also describe public information repositories and groundwater discharge. A public notice flyer will also be posted off-site at a location conspicuous to the public and approved by the Ground Water Quality Bureau (GWQB).

The NM OpenEnviroMap map shows Agua Negra and Jose Perea land grants within the 4-mile radius circle. There is no contact information available for these land grants.

## **5. Detailed Public Participation and Outreach Activities for Remediation Plan, Leonard's Conoco**

The PSTB evaluates all public comments, places the comments in the administrative files for the remedial action, and incorporates public input into the PSTB's comments on Remediation Plans as appropriate.

The PSTB's plans for facilitating public participation in the remediation planning action for the Leonard's Conoco site are detailed below.

### **Public Notice Requirements per Applicable Laws**

The Petroleum Storage Tank Regulations, 20.5.119.1923.D (10) NMAC, as detailed below, address notices to be provided by the owner or operator (*for this state-lead site, the PSTB*) to the public regarding the submission of a draft Final Remediation Plan for public comment. This notice is provided prior to or on the day of the submission of the draft Final Remediation Plan and informs the public that the PSTB will be reviewing the Plan. The owner or operator (for this state-lead site, the PSTB) will provide notice of the submission of a draft Final Remediation Plan in English and Spanish, to include availability of language assistance services. Spanish-language notices will be translated from English into Spanish by a translator certified by the American Translators Association for English to Spanish translation.

The **bolded information in brackets** is responsive to the regulatory requirements *in italics* below.

*The owner/operator [for this state-lead site, the PSTB] is required to provide notice in the following manner:*

*(a) owners and operators [the PSTB] shall publish a legal notice of the submission or planned submission of the final remediation plan at least twice in a paper of general circulation [Legal Section of the Classified Ads of the Guadalupe County Communicator] in the county in which soil or water has been contaminated by the release; the first notice shall appear within one week of, but not later than, the day of submission of the final remediation plan to the department; the second publication of this notice shall occur no later than seven days after the date the remediation plan is submitted to the department, and owners and operators shall submit two certified affidavits of publication from the newspaper to the department within 21 days after the date the final remediation plan is submitted;*

*(b) the notice shall contain the information specified in this section including the following:*

*(i) a statement that a remediation plan has been submitted to the department proposing actions to remediate a release of petroleum products;*

*(ii) the name and physical address of the site at which the release occurred and the names and physical addresses of properties where any part of the remediation system will be located, using adequate identification of the properties, including street addresses if applicable [1633 U.S. Route 66, Santa Rosa];*

*(iii) a statement that a copy of the remediation plan and all data and modeling related to the remediation plan, if applicable, can be viewed at the department's [PSTB's] main office [located at 2905 Rodeo Park Drive East, Building 1, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505] and at the department's field office for the area in which the release occurred [District 1 Tucumcari office located at 113 W Center, Tucumcari, New Mexico 88401]; and*



(iv) a statement that public comments on the plan must be delivered, within 21 days of the publication of the second notice, to the owner or operator's assigned project manager **[Corey Dimond]** at the petroleum storage tank bureau, New Mexico environment department, or a district office **[District 1 Tucumcari office located at 113 W Center, Tucumcari, New Mexico 88401 ]** if approved by the department, and to the secretary of the environment department;

(c) within seven days of the date a remediation plan is submitted to the department, owners and operators **[the PSTB]** shall also mail by certified mail a copy of the legal notice **[in English and Spanish]** to adjacent property owners; and

(d) owners and operators **[the PSTB]** shall post a notice **[in English and Spanish]** of the submission of the remediation plan at the release site within seven days of the submission of the remediation plan; the notice shall contain the information specified in this subsection and shall be at least 8.5 inches by 11 inches in size and prominently displayed in a location where it is likely to be seen by members of the public for a continuous period until the remediation plan is approved and implemented; public comments must be received by the department within 21 days of the date of the second publication of the public notice;

20.6.2.3108 NMAC of the New Mexico Ground and Surface Water Protection Regulations requires that:

**Within 30 days** of the date when the US Postal Service first makes notice to PSTB of its possession of this letter, PSTB must provide public notice as follows:

**1. Post sign(s) at the facility.**

PSTB must provide and post a sign 2 x 3 feet in size (or multiple signs if required) **at or near the facility for 30 days** in a conspicuous location approved by NMED. The text for the poster and the approved sign posting location will be included in the letter from the Ground Water Quality Bureau (GWQB) notifying PSTB that the ground water discharge permit application is administratively complete.

**2. Post a public notice flyer off-site.**

PSTB must post the public notice flyer **off-site** at a location conspicuous to the public and approved by GWQB. The public notice flyer in English and Spanish and the location GWQB approves for its posting will be included in the GWQB administrative completeness letter.

**3. Mail a public notice flyer to property owners within 1/3 mile.**

PSTB must send a copy of the public notice flyer by 1st class mail to the owners of record of all properties within 1/3 mile from the boundary of the property where the discharge site is located. If there are no properties within 1/3 mile other than properties owned by the applicant, then the flyer must be mailed to the owners of record of the nearest adjacent properties. The names and addresses of property owners can be obtained from the county tax assessor's office. The list of property owners' names and addresses must be submitted to GWQB.

**4. Mail a public notice flyer to the owner of the discharge site.**

PSTB must send a copy of the public notice flyer via certified mail, return receipt requested, to the owner(s) of the discharge site(s). The list of owners' names and addresses and the certified mail receipts must be submitted to GWQB.

**5. Place a display ad in the newspaper.**

PSTB must publish a display ad 3 x 4 inches for one day in a newspaper of general circulation in the location of the proposed discharge. The ad may **not** be placed in the classified or legal section. The text for the ad and the newspaper GWQB approves for publishing the ad will be included in the GWQB administrative completeness letter.

**PROOF OF NOTICE.** Within 15 days of completing the above requirements, PSTB must submit the following items as proof of notice to GWQB:

- ✓ Affidavit regarding the sign posting and mailing (form will be enclosed in administrative completeness letter).
- ✓ List of names and addresses to whom the public notice flyer was mailed.
- ✓ List of names and addresses of owners of discharge sites.
- ✓ Certified mail receipts for mailing to discharge site owner(s), if required.
- ✓ Copy of newspaper ad.

### ***Proposed Public Participation and Outreach Activities for Leonard's Conoco Site***

The PSTB will also perform the following public participation and outreach activities during the review phase of the planning process for the Leonard's Conoco remediation:

1. **Information Repository:** A copy of the Remediation Plan and the PIP will be made available for public review at the PSTB's main office at **2905 Rodeo Park Drive East, Building 1, Santa Fe, New Mexico 87505**. In addition, the Remediation Plan, the PIP, and all applicable data may be viewed at the following website:  
<https://cloud.env.nm.gov/waste/pages/search.php?search=%21collection3144>
2. **Electronic Posting of Public Notice:** The PSTB will post the notice and the PIP on the PSTB's portion of NMED's website (<https://www.env.nm.gov/public-notices/>) Electronically posted notices will be provided in English and Spanish.
3. **Language Assistance Services:** Non-English speakers or readers will be directed in notices to call the PSTB contact listed in this PIP and request language assistance services, such as an interpreter, so they can learn more about the planning process. Services may be arranged by the PSTB for translation of documents, for interpreters, and for obtaining services for persons with disabilities. A phone-based interpretation service is available to the PSTB for speakers of languages other than English.

***Attachment 1: Preliminary Screening (EJSCREEN)***

## Public Outreach Preliminary Screen (EJSCREEN)

**Facility:** Leonard's Conoco  
**Location:** 1633 U.S. Route 66, Santa Rosa, New Mexico 88435  
**Buffer:** 4-mile  
**Date:** September 29, 2021

Total population within 4-mile radius*:	3,751
Total population age 5+ years within 4-mile radius*:	3,570
Number of households within 4-mile radius*:	998
Per capita income within 4-mile radius*:	\$17,458
Per capita income, USA:	\$32,621
Percent people of color population within 4-mile radius*:	79%
Percent people of color population by race within 4-mile radius*:	
Hispanic:	76%
Black Alone:	1%
American Indian Alone:	1%
Non-Hispanic Asian Alone:	0%
Pacific Islander Alone:	0%
Other Race Alone:	0%
Two or More Races Alone:	0%
<i>Sum:</i>	78%
Percent linguistically isolated households within 4-mile radius**:	7.5%
Percent linguistically isolated households by language within 4-mile radius*:	
Spanish:	100%
Other Indo-European languages:	0%
Other Asian-Pacific Island languages:	0%
Other languages:	0%
<i>Sum:</i>	100%
Population age 5+ yrs. speaking English "less than very well" within 4-mile radius*:	9%

\*: From EJSCREEN ACS Summary Report

\*\* $: 75 \text{ linguistically isolated households} / 998 \text{ total households} \times 100 = \% \text{ linguistically isolated households.}$

Detail may not sum to total due to rounding.



## EJSCREEN ACS Summary Report



Location: User-specified point center at 34.943521, -104.685234

Ring (buffer): 4-miles radius

Description: Leonard's Conoco

Summary of ACS Estimates		2014 - 2018
Population		3,467
Population Density (per sq. mile)		75
People of Color Population		2,736
% People of Color Population		79%
Households		998
Housing Units		1,634
Housing Units Built Before 1950		357
Per Capita Income		17,458
Land Area (sq. miles) (Source: SF1)		46.12
% Land Area		100%
Water Area (sq. miles) (Source: SF1)		0.07
% Water Area		0%

	2014 - 2018 ACS Estimates	Percent	MOE (±)
<b>Population by Race</b>			
Total	3,467	100%	321
Population Reporting One Race	3,341	96%	567
White	2,882	83%	320
Black	41	1%	55
American Indian	50	1%	44
Asian	0	0%	12
Pacific Islander	0	0%	12
Some Other Race	369	11%	124
Population Reporting Two or More Races	126	4%	144
Total Hispanic Population	2,649	76%	320
Total Non-Hispanic Population	818		
White Alone	731	21%	129
Black Alone	34	1%	50
American Indian Alone	41	1%	36
Non-Hispanic Asian Alone	0	0%	12
Pacific Islander Alone	0	0%	12
Other Race Alone	0	0%	12
Two or More Races Alone	11	0%	15
<b>Population by Sex</b>			
Male	1,849	53%	196
Female	1,618	47%	207

Population by Age			
Age 0-4	212	6%	94
Age 0-17	739	21%	179
Age 18+	2,729	79%	230
Age 65+	659	19%	113

**Data Note:** Detail may not sum to totals due to rounding.

N/A means not available. **Source:** U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey (ACS) 2014 - 2018 .

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Location: User-specified point center at 34.943521, -104.685234

Ring (buffer): 4-miles radius

Description: Leonard's Conoco

	2014 - 2018 ACS Estimates	Percent	MOE (±)
<b>Population 25+ by Educational Attainment</b>			
Total	2,507	100%	
Less than 9th Grade	150	6%	
9th - 12th Grade, No Diploma	285	11%	
High School Graduate	1,084	43%	
Some College, No Degree	661	26%	
Associate Degree	103	4%	
Bachelor's Degree or more	327	13%	
<b>Population Age 5+ Years by Ability to Speak English</b>			
Total	3,256	100%	
Speak only English	1,948	60%	
Non-English at Home <sup>1+2+3+4</sup>	1,307	40%	
<sup>1</sup> Speak English "very well"	1,024	31%	
<sup>2</sup> Speak English "well"	209	6%	
<sup>3</sup> Speak English "not well"	69	2%	
<sup>4</sup> Speak English "not at all"	5	0%	
<sup>3+4</sup> Speak English "less than well"	74	2%	
<sup>2+3+4</sup> Speak English "less than very well"	283	9%	
<b>Linguistically Isolated Households*</b>			
Total	75	100%	
Speak Spanish	75	100%	
Speak Other Indo-European Languages	0	0%	
Speak Asian-Pacific Island Languages	0	0%	
Speak Other Languages	0	0%	

Households by Household Income			
Household Income Base	998	100%	125
< \$15,000	230	23%	66
\$15,000 - \$25,000	233	23%	92
\$25,000 - \$50,000	253	25%	85
\$50,000 - \$75,000	64	6%	29
\$75,000 +	217	22%	66
Occupied Housing Units by Tenure			
Total	998	100%	125
Owner Occupied	622	62%	100
Renter Occupied	376	38%	87
Employed Population Age 16+ Years			
Total	2,805	100%	269
In Labor Force	1,267	45%	247
Civilian Unemployed in Labor Force	74	3%	51
Not In Labor Force	1,538	55%	172

**Data Note:** Detail may not sum to totals due to rounding. Hispanic population can be of any race. N/A means not available. **Source:** U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey (ACS) \*Households in which no one 14 and over speaks English "very well" or speaks English only.

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## EJSCREEN ACS Summary Report



Location: User-specified point center at 34.943521, -104.685234

Ring (buffer): 4-miles radius

Description: Leonard's Conoco

	2014 - 2018 ACS Estimates	Percent	MOE (±)
Population by Language Spoken at Home*			
Total (persons age 5 and above)	2,071	100%	
English	1,082	52%	
Spanish	962	46%	
French	0	0%	
French Creole	N/A	N/A	
Italian	N/A	N/A	
Portuguese	N/A	N/A	
German	5	0%	
Yiddish	N/A	N/A	
Other West Germanic	N/A	N/A	
Scandinavian	N/A	N/A	
Greek	N/A	N/A	

Russian	N/A	N/A	N/A
Polish	N/A	N/A	N/A
Serbo-Croatian	N/A	N/A	N/A
Other Slavic	N/A	N/A	N/A
Armenian	N/A	N/A	N/A
Persian	N/A	N/A	N/A
Gujarathi	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hindi	N/A	N/A	N/A
Urdu	N/A	N/A	N/A
Other Indic	N/A	N/A	N/A
Other Indo-European	0	0%	12
Chinese	0	0%	12
Japanese	N/A	N/A	N/A
Korean	0	0%	12
Mon-Khmer, Cambodian	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hmong	N/A	N/A	N/A
Thai	N/A	N/A	N/A
Laotian	N/A	N/A	N/A
Vietnamese	0	0%	12
Other Asian	0	0%	12
Tagalog	0	0%	12
Other Pacific Island	N/A	N/A	N/A
Navajo	N/A	N/A	N/A
Other Native American	N/A	N/A	N/A
Hungarian	N/A	N/A	N/A
Arabic	4	0%	15
Hebrew	N/A	N/A	N/A
African	N/A	N/A	N/A
Other and non-specified	17	1%	40
Total Non-English	989	48%	289

**Data Note:** Detail may not sum to totals due to rounding. Hispanic population can be of any race.

N/A means not available. **Source:** U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey (ACS) 2014 - 2018.

\*Population by Language Spoken at Home is available at the census tract summary level and up.



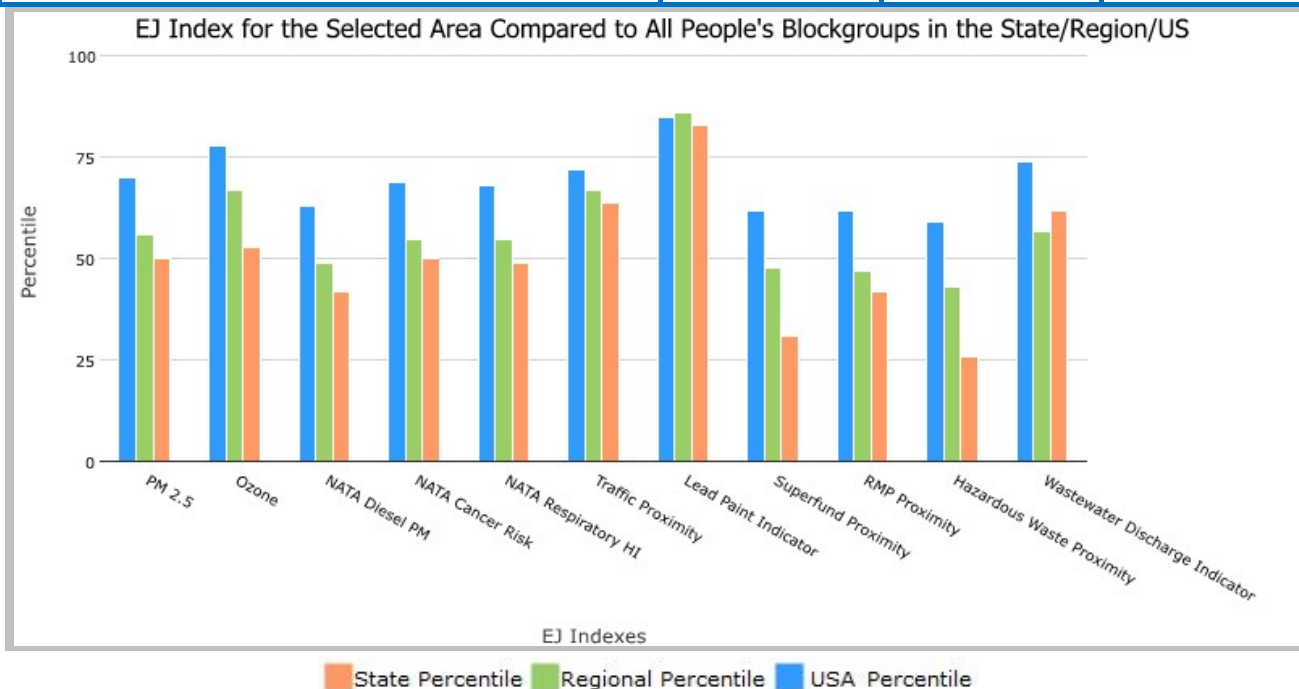
4 miles Ring Centered at 34.943521,-104.685234, NEW MEXICO, EPA Region 6

Approximate Population: 3,467

Input Area (sq. miles): 50.26

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Selected Variables	State Percentile	EPA Region Percentile	USA Percentile
<b>EJ Indexes</b>			
EJ Index for PM2.5	50	56	70
EJ Index for Ozone	53	67	78
EJ Index for NATA* Diesel PM	42	49	63
EJ Index for NATA* Air Toxics Cancer Risk	50	55	69
EJ Index for NATA* Respiratory Hazard Index	49	55	68
EJ Index for Traffic Proximity and Volume	64	67	72
EJ Index for Lead Paint Indicator	83	86	85
EJ Index for Superfund Proximity	31	48	62
EJ Index for RMP Proximity	42	47	62
EJ Index for Hazardous Waste Proximity	26	43	59
EJ Index for Wastewater Discharge Indicator	62	57	74



This report shows the values for environmental and demographic indicators and EJSCREEN indexes. It shows environmental and demographic raw data (e.g., the estimated concentration of ozone in the air), and also shows what percentile each raw data value represents. These percentiles provide

perspective on how the selected block group or buffer area compares to the entire state, EPA region, or nation. For example, if a given location is at the 95th percentile nationwide, this means that only 5 percent of the US population has a higher block group value than the average person in the location being analyzed. The years for which the data are available, and the methods used, vary across these indicators. Important caveats and uncertainties apply to this screening-level information, so it is essential to understand the limitations on appropriate interpretations and applications of these indicators. Please see EJSCREEN documentation for discussion of these issues before using reports.



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**Approximate Population: 3,467**

**Input Area (sq. miles): 50.26**

**Leonard's Conoco**

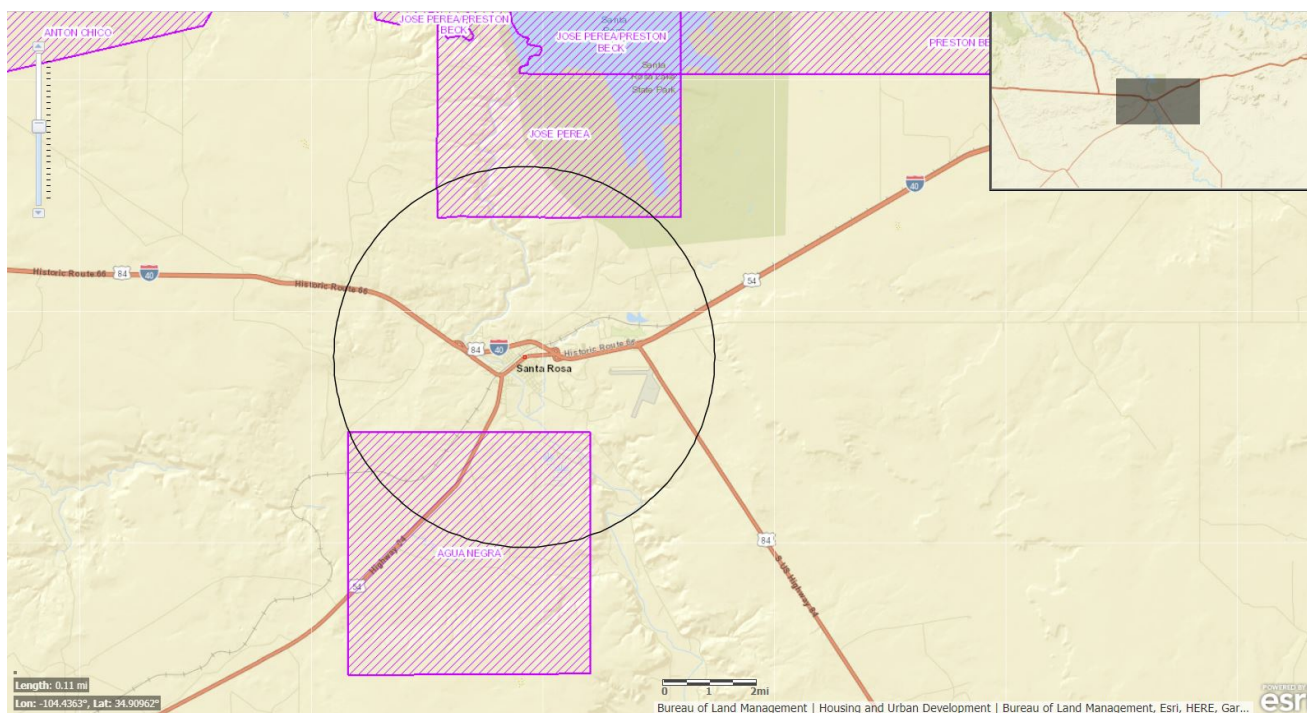


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- ✦ Leonard's Conoco
- ✦ Search Result (point)

1:9,028  
0 0.07 0.15 0.3 mi  
0 0.13 0.25 0.5 km

Source: Esri, Maxar, GeoEye, Earthstar Geographics, CNES/Airbus DS, USDA, USGS, AeroGRID, IGN, and the GIS User Community



#### Sites reporting to EPA

Superfund NPL

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Hazardous Waste Treatment, Storage, and Disposal Facilities (TSDF)

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Selected Variables	Value	State Avg.	%ile in State	EPA Region Avg.	%ile in EPA Region	USA Avg.	%ile in USA
<b>Environmental Indicators</b>							
Particulate Matter (PM 2.5 in $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	5.18	6.17	14	8.95	0	8.55	0
Ozone (ppb)	48.8	52.2	6	41.8	90	42.9	86
NATA* Diesel PM ( $\mu\text{g}/\text{m}^3$ )	0.07	0.281	20	0.401	<50th	0.478	<50th
NATA* Cancer Risk (lifetime risk per million)	18	25	18	36	<50th	32	<50th
NATA* Respiratory Hazard Index	0.23	0.32	22	0.45	<50th	0.44	<50th



Traffic Proximity and Volume (daily traffic count/distance to road)	160	360	50	400	53	750	44
Lead Paint Indicator (% Pre-1960 Housing)	0.36	0.18	82	0.17	83	0.28	67
Superfund Proximity (site count/km distance)	0.0059	0.13	0	0.081	1	0.13	1
RMP Proximity (facility count/km distance)	0.037	0.24	21	0.82	2	0.74	2
Hazardous Waste Proximity (facility count/km distance)	0.0072	0.78	0	0.99	0	5	0
Wastewater Discharge Indicator (toxicity-weighted concentration/m distance)	2.1E-07	150	46	9.5	23	9.4	33
<b>Demographic Indicators</b>							
Demographic Index	56%	52%	58	44%	67	36%	79
People of Color Population	79%	62%	72	52%	74	39%	83
Low Income Population	37%	42%	44	37%	54	33%	63
Linguistically Isolated Population	8%	5%	72	6%	72	4%	79
Population With Less Than High School Education	17%	15%	62	16%	63	13%	74
Population Under 5 years of age	6%	6%	53	7%	45	6%	54
Population over 64 years of age	19%	16%	68	13%	80	15%	73

\* The National-Scale Air Toxics Assessment (NATA) is EPA's ongoing, comprehensive evaluation of air toxics in the United States. EPA developed the NATA to prioritize air toxics, emission sources, and locations of interest for further study. It is important to remember that NATA provides broad estimates of health risks over geographic areas of the country, not definitive risks to specific individuals or locations. More information on the NATA analysis can be found at: <https://www.epa.gov/national-air-toxics-assessment>.

For additional information, see: [www.epa.gov/environmentaljustice](http://www.epa.gov/environmentaljustice)

EJSCREEN is a screening tool for pre-decisional use only. It can help identify areas that may warrant additional consideration, analysis, or outreach. It does not provide a basis for decision-making, but it may help identify potential areas of EJ concern. Users should keep in mind that screening tools are subject to substantial uncertainty in their demographic and environmental data, particularly when looking at small geographic areas. Important caveats and uncertainties apply to this screening-level information, so it is essential to understand the limitations on appropriate interpretations and applications of these indicators. Please see EJSCREEN documentation for discussion of these issues before using reports. This screening tool does not provide data on every environmental impact and demographic factor that may be relevant to a particular location. EJSCREEN outputs should be supplemented with additional information and local knowledge before taking any action to address potential EJ concerns.

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## ***Attachment 2: Limited English Proficiency Assessment***

## Limited English Proficiency ("LEP") Assessment

**Facility:** Leonard's Conoco  
**Location:** 1633 U.S. Route 66, Santa Rosa, New Mexico 88435  
**Buffer:** 4 miles  
**Date:** September 29, 2021

### ***Factor 1: Number and Proportion of LEP Individuals Eligible to be Served or Likely to be Encountered in Community of Concern***

Percent linguistically isolated households within 4-mile radius*:	7.5%
Percent linguistically isolated households by language within 4-mile radius*:	
Spanish:	100%
Other Indo-European:	0%
Other languages:	0%
Sum:	100%
Percent linguistically isolated population, New Mexico**:	5%
Percent linguistically isolated population, USA**:	4%
Population age 5+ yrs speaking English "less than very well" within 4-mile radius*:	9%

\*: From "EJSCREEN ACS Report"

\*\* : From "EJSCREEN Report (version 2020)"

#### **Conclusions:**

- 1) Proportion of LEP persons (i.e., speaking English "less than very well") within four miles is slightly greater than the statewide and national proportions
- 2) Spanish is the only non-English language spoken by LEP persons.
- 3) Historical participation: Not applicable (new Final Remediation Plan notice).

### ***Factor 2: Frequency with which LEP Individuals Come in Contact with the Program***

#### **Frequency Assessment ("frequent" / "occasional" / "not frequent")**

Not frequent

Past public participation has been infrequent in response to notices of submission of remediation plans.

***Factor 3: Nature or Importance of the Activity or Service Provided by the Program***

All Final Remediation Plans for PSTB sites are required by the NM Petroleum Storage Tank regulations to be made available for review prior to their finalization and implementation. The Final Remediation Plans are reviewed by the PSTB to assess compliance with regulatory requirements and to evaluate their technical adequacy. Final Remediation Plans are approved after the PSTB's review is complete, any inadequacies are addressed, and the public comments are evaluated and addressed as appropriate.

Final Remediation Plan review is deemed by the PSTB to be "important" to NMED, the affected community, and the State of New Mexico. Final Remediation Plan review is important to the NMED because it establishes site-specific requirements that must be met to ensure protection of public health, welfare, and the environment. Final Remediation Plan review is important to the affected community because poorly implemented or poorly operated remediation activities have the potential to pose a public nuisance and adversely affect the quality of life of people living in the vicinity of the leaking petroleum storage tank site. Final Remediation Plan review is important to the State of New Mexico because implementation of effective remedial actions ensures that leaking petroleum tank sites will have a limited effect on the State's vital groundwater resources.

***Factor 4: Resources Available to NMED and Associated Costs***

In accordance with regulatory requirements, the PSTB posts notices of submission in both English and Spanish and utilizes the services of a certified translator for creation of the Spanish-language notices. This translation cost is included in the Bureau's annual budget requests. As the need for additional translation/interpretation services has typically been limited, the PSTB is able to provide these additional services within budgetary constraints.

***LEP Services Plan***

The PSTB plans to provide Notices of Submission of Remediation Plan in both English and Spanish, which is consistent with statutory requirements and program practice and is appropriate based on the LEP analysis, as the majority of the LEP population speaks Spanish. The PSTB will provide further LEP services as requested.