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Regarding the topic of open burning.

Open burning isn't a bunch of men rounding up trash and waste and setting fire to them in their backyard every weekend. This entire thing is a process, that is dealt with by professionals with safety in mind.

The open burning process proposed by the hazardous waste permit is a logical solution, and a controlled burn done by experienced workers. It makes more sense to be rid of the waste at the site, rather than transporting it somewhere else and making it another issue at another location. And possibly a problem in route. All it would take is one truck accident in the middle of a snowy Los Alamos highway to see that transporting hazardous waste is a bad idea.

Perhaps instead of calling it 'open burning', it needs a more official term so the people who do not understand the process will not fear it and oppose it.

The Environmental Compliance people at the Los Alamos National Laboratory are smart people and have the best intentions for the environment in mind when they request these permits. Let's let them do their job.

Thanks for your time,

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