

# New Mexico Environment Department

- NMED programs can assist approval of renewable energy projects:
  - Voluntary Remediation / Brownfields Program
  - Mining Environmental Compliance Program
  - Superfund Program
  - Hazardous Waste Programs

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- Renewable Energy development Considerations:
  - Is infiltration control a concern?
  - Has the surficial source of contamination been removed?
  - Can development proceed without interference with cleanup/closure activities?

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- Renewable Energy development  
Considerations:
  - Are there environmental justice concerns with the proposed development?
  - Have long term financial assurance and maintenance agreements been worked out with the responsible party?

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- Process for approval of renewable energy development projects:
  - Maintenance & financial assurance responsibilities must be clearly defined between RP and developer.
  - Early meetings with agencies can help minimize problems.
  - Permits / approved plans may need to be modified to accommodate development.