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Nuclear Waste Partnership Announces Scholarship Recipients

CARLSBAD, N.M., May 23, 2016 – Nuclear Waste Partnership LLC (NWP) continued its commitment to education with the recent award of \$10,000 in scholarships to high school seniors in southeastern New Mexico.

"It's a pleasure to be able to recognize these students for the hard work and dedication in the classroom," said NWP President and Project Manager Phil Breidenbach. "Their continued focus on education will greatly benefit them in preparing for the future."

Since 1999, NWP and its predecessor companies have awarded more \$250,000 in scholarships. This year, students from Carlsbad, Loving and Hobbs received scholarships. In Eddy County, scholarship recipients were Sierra Calderon, Samantha Calderon, Sarah Strong, Alyssa Gutierrez, Augusta Edwards, Samuel Bartlett, Amariah Rodriguez and Megan Lee. NWP also provided funding for the LULAC Scholarship Fund, the Martin Luther King Scholarship Fund, the Class Act Scholarship Fund and the Falcon Fest Scholarship Fund.

The NWP scholarship program focuses on students pursuing a math, science or engineering degree through an accredited technical program.

NWP is the management and operating contractor for the U.S. Department of Energy's Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP) near Carlsbad. WIPP, the nation's first permanent geologic repository for defense transuranic nuclear waste, began disposal operations in 1999. NWP is an AECOM-led partnership with BWXT Technologies and AREVA.