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ABSTRACT

Soil and sediments are analysed for gross alpha, gross beta, ^{238}Pu , ^{239}Pu , ^{137}Cs , ^{90}Sr , and total uranium as part of the continuing Environmental Monitoring Program at the Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory. This report documents the levels of radioactivity of radionuclides in soils and sediments in northern New Mexico from natural sources and worldwide fallout as well as at seven on-site soil and sediment stations which contain radioactivity contributed by the Laboratory for the period 1974 through 1977.

INTRODUCTION

Soils and sediments are collected in and adjacent to the Los Alamos Scientific Laboratory (LASL) and analyzed for radioactivity as part of the surveillance program.¹⁻⁴ This study is made annually to determine the effect of the LASL operation on the environment. The samples are collected from regional, perimeter, and on-site stations, which contain radioactivity from natural sources, worldwide fallout from nuclear tests in the atmosphere, and in some cases from effluents released at LASL. The purpose of this report is to document levels of radioactivity in soil and sediments from natural sources and worldwide fallout. Also included in the report for comparison are the analytical data from those stations where LASL has contributed radioactivity to the environment. Locations of the 12 regional soil and sediment stations are shown in Fig. 1. These stations are as much as 45 km from Los Alamos. Seven perimeter soil and

sediments stations are shown in Fig. 2 (adjacent to LASL boundaries). Fourteen on-site soil and sediment stations within the LASL boundaries are also shown in Fig. 2. Other soil and sediment stations have been established for special studies; however, due to the infrequency of samples collected the data from these stations are not included in this report.⁵⁻⁷

Individual analyses for each station are presented in Appendix I (soil) and Appendix II (sediments) for those stations showing natural and world-wide fallout levels of radioactivity. Appendix III presents individual analyses for soils, while Appendix IV shows individual analyses of sediments that show elevated radioactivity related to Laboratory releases. The \pm value in the Appendices is twice the analytical error associated with that individual analysis. The Appendices also show minimum, maximum, \bar{x} (the mean), and s (the standard deviation of the distribution of the observed values).

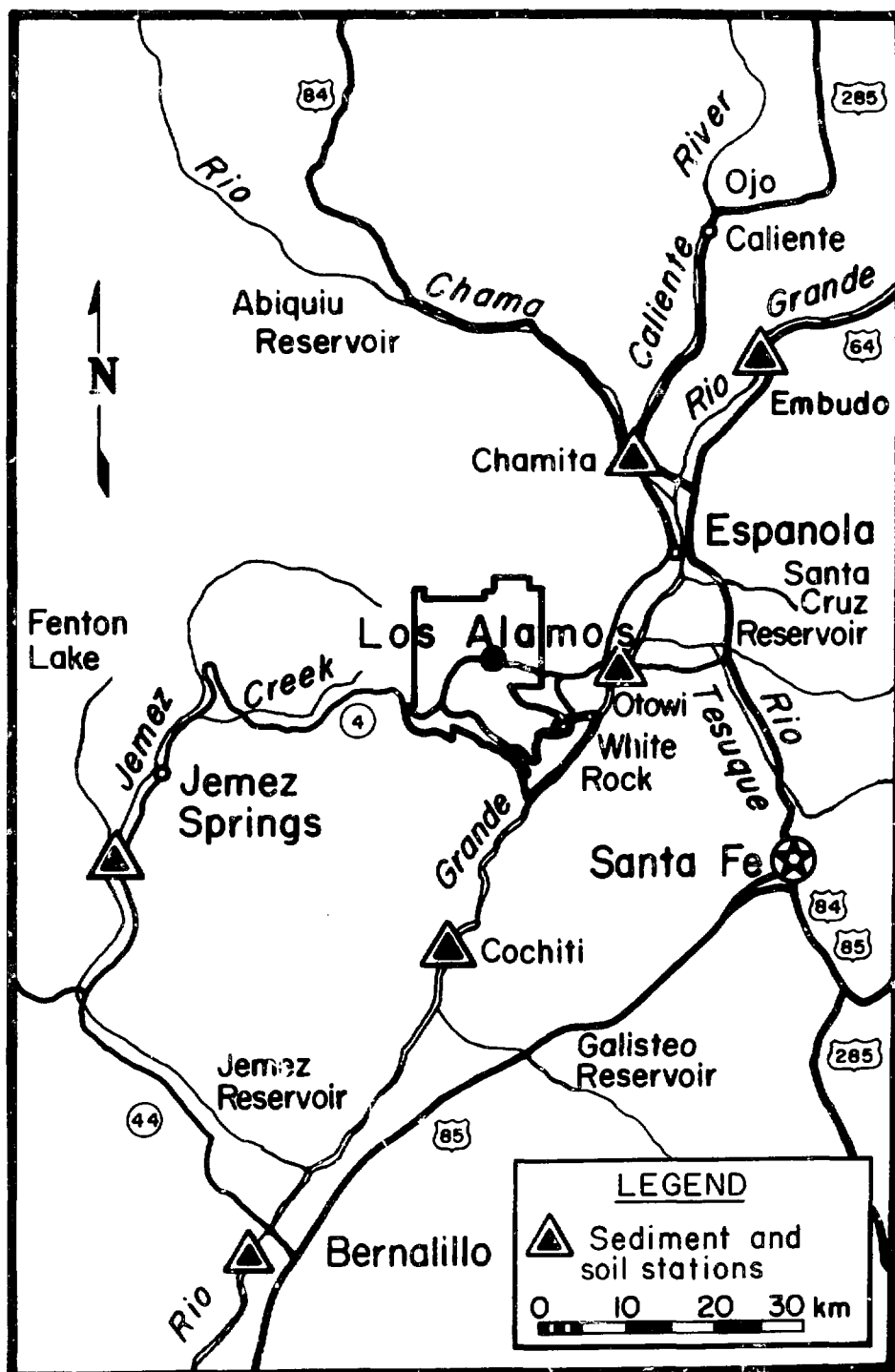


Fig. 1.
Regional soil and sediment stations.

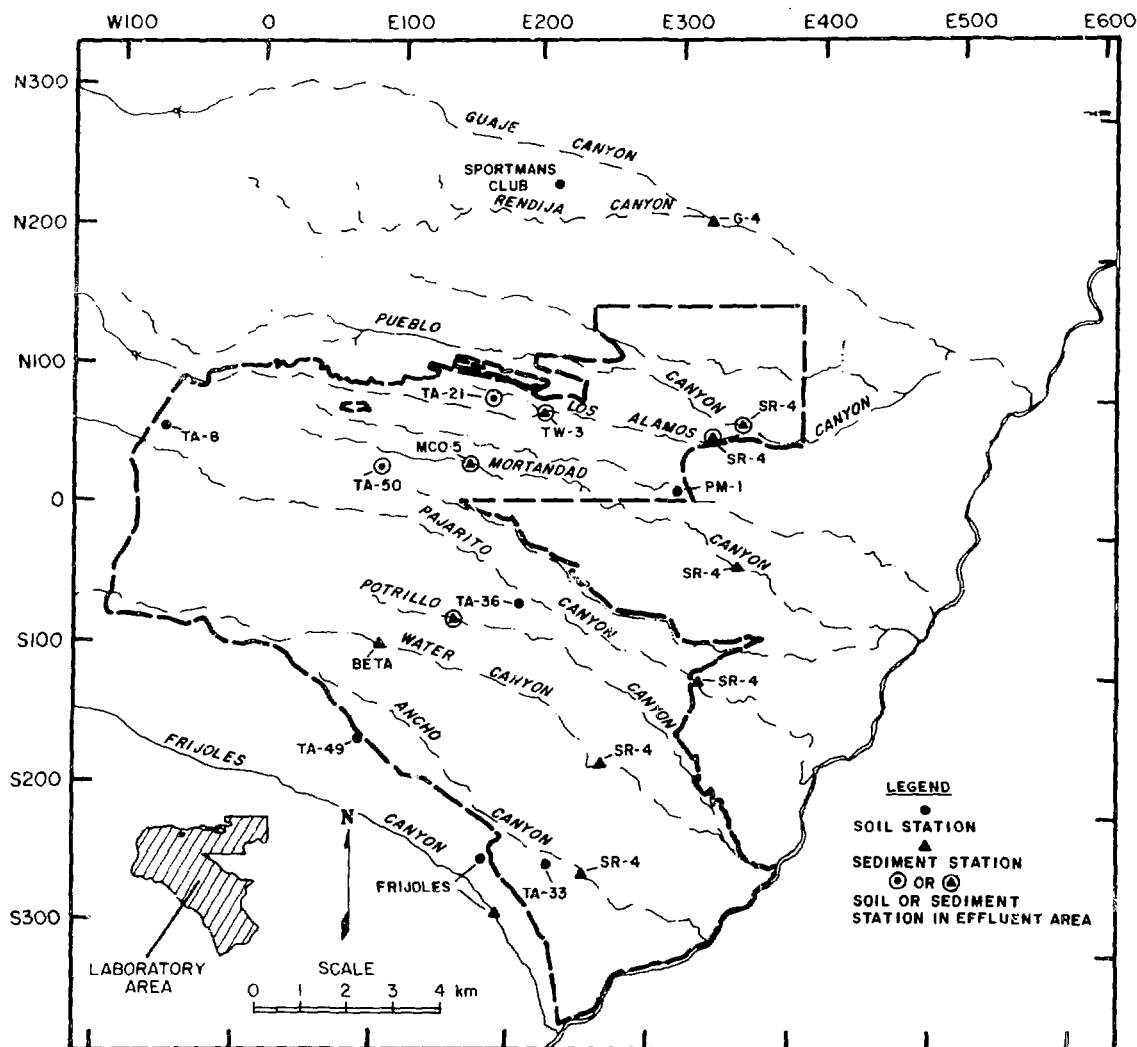


Fig. 2.
Perimeter and on-site soil and sediment stations.

Methods of Sample Collection and Analysis

Soil samples were collected by taking five plugs, 7.5 cm in diameter and 5.0 cm deep, at the center and corners of a square area 10 m on a side. The five plugs were combined to form a composite sample for analysis. Sediment samples were collected from dunes behind boulders in the main channels of flowing streams. Samples from the beds of intermittently flowing streams were collected across the main channel to a depth of 5.0 cm.

The soil and sediment samples were routinely analyzed for gross-alpha and gross-beta activities and ^{238}Pu and ^{239}Pu . Selected samples were also analyzed for ^{137}Cs , ^{90}Sr , and Total U. The radionuclides ^{238}Pu , ^{239}Pu , ^{137}Cs , and ^{90}Sr are artificially created. Gross alpha, gross beta, and total uranium generally reflect naturally occurring radioactivity. The addition of radionuclides from fallout is so low that they are not reflected in the gross alpha and beta activity. Total uranium is generally associated with naturally occurring uranium minerals found in the soil and sediments.

Only in the effluent release areas of the Laboratory do the gross beta and total uranium reflect the contributions from the Laboratory's operation.

A brief description is presented of sample preparation and analysis. A detailed description of these procedures is presented elsewhere.⁴

Soil and sediment samples are oven dried, sieved through <1.7 mm screens and thoroughly blended. Separate aliquots of the prepared soil are taken for each analysis. Soil for gross alpha and beta analysis is leached with hot acid and the leachate is evaporated onto a stainless steel planchet prior to counting in a thin window, dual gas proportional counter. Soil for ^{238,239}Pu analysis is spiked with ²⁴²Pu tracer and dissolved with acid. The Pu is isolated by *anion* exchange, electroplated onto a stainless steel disk, and counted on an alpha spectrometer. Soil for ¹³⁷Cs analysis is counted directly on Ge(Li) detector coupled with a multichannel analyzer. Soil for ⁹⁰Sr analysis is dissolved. The sample is extracted with HDEHP to remove the ⁹⁰Y daughter and any interfering radionuclides. Stable Y is added as a chemical carrier. After allowing the ⁹⁰Y daughter to reequilibrate with the ⁹⁰Sr, the sample is re-extracted, the Y is purified, and the sample counted on a gas proportional counter. The total uranium analyses from 1974 through 1976 were performed using a fluorometric method. In 1977, aliquots of soil for uranium analysis were irradiated by epithermal neutrons in a reactor and then counted on a Ge(Li) gamma ray spectrometer.

The minimum detection limits are as follows:

Gross Alpha	0.8 pCi/g
Gross Beta	0.0003 pCi/g
²³⁸ Pu	0.003 pCi/g
²³⁹ Pu	0.002 pCi/g
¹³⁷ Cs	0.10 pCi/g
⁹⁰ Sr	0.05 pCi/g
Total U	0.1 µg/g

The analyses, particularly those for which a chemical or instrument background must be subtracted, may result in a net value that is lower than the minimum detection limits. It is not uncommon for individual analysis to result in values of zero or negative numbers. The negative value does not represent a physical reality; however, a valid long-term average of many analyses can be obtained

only if the very small or negative values are included in the mean.

II. RADIOACTIVITY FROM NATURAL SOURCES AND WORLDWIDE FALLOUT

Soil and sediment analyses from 25 soil and sediment stations were collected once or twice annually from 1974 through 1977. The number of analyses from the stations ranged from 68 for ⁹⁰Sr to 153 for gross alpha and gross beta (Table I).

The average gross alpha concentration for soil was slightly higher (4.9 ± 3.4 pCi/g) than sediments (3.3 ± 3.2 pCi/g). The levels of gross alpha for the 153 soil and sediment analyses ranged from 0.1 to 18 pCi/g with an overall average of 4.0 ± 3.2 pCi/g (Table I).

The average gross beta concentration for soils was higher (6.7 ± 2.4 pCi/g) than sediments (3.7 ± 2.8 pCi/g). The levels of gross beta for the 153 soil and sediment analyses ranged from 0.2 to 13 pCi/g with an overall average of 5.2 ± 3 pCi/g (Table I).

The ²³⁸Pu levels in both soils and sediments were near or below the limits of detection. The average concentration for soils was 0.000 ± 0.004 pCi/g while that of sediments was also 0.000 ± 0.003 pCi/g. The range of 151 analyses of both soils and sediments was from -0.030 to 0.010 pCi/g with an overall average 0.000 ± 0.004 pCi/g.

The average concentration of ²³⁹Pu on soil (0.012 ± 0.012 pCi/g) was higher than that for sediments (0.004 ± 0.007 pCi/g). The range of 149 analyses was -0.020 to 0.045 pCi/g, with an overall average of 0.008 ± 0.010 pCi/g (Table I).

The ¹³⁷Cs level in soils (0.52 ± 0.30 pCi/g) was higher than in sediments (0.17 ± 0.19 pCi/g). The 76 analyses ranged from -0.14 to 1.06 pCi/g with an overall average of 0.32 ± 0.30 pCi/g (Table I).

The ⁹⁰Sr average concentrations on soils (0.33 ± 0.27 pCi/g) were higher than on sediments (0.20 ± 0.25 pCi/g). The range of ⁹⁰Sr for the 68 analyses of soils and sediments was from -0.01 to 1.00 pCi/g with an overall average of 0.25 ± 0.27 pCi/g.

The average values of gross alpha, gross beta, ²³⁸Pu, ²³⁹Pu, ¹³⁷Cs, and ⁹⁰Sr are lower in sediments than in soils as the sediments in part can be derived by erosion from materials not exposed to world-wide fallout.

TABLE I
SUMMARY OF NATURAL OR WORLDWIDE FALLOUT LEVELS OF
RADIOACTIVITY OR RADIONUCLIDES
(Analyses in pCi/g except as noted)

	No. of Analyses	Min	Max	\bar{x}	s
<u>Soil</u>					
Gross Alpha	77	0.1 ±0.4	18 ±4.0	4.9	3.4
Gross Beta	77	1.5 ±0.6	12 ±2.6	6.7	2.4
²³⁸ Pu	73	-0.030±0.008	0.010±0.060	0.000	0.004
²³⁹ Pu	72	-0.020±0.060	0.045±0.010	0.012	0.012
¹³⁷ Cs	33	0.07 ±0.12	1.06 ±0.28	0.52	0.30
⁹⁰ Sr	31	-0.01 ±0.08	1.00 ±2.40	0.33	0.27
Total U ^a	58	0.1 ±0.2	5.1 ±1.6	2.1	1.4
<u>Sediments</u>					
Gross Alpha	76	0.4 ±0.2	14 ±8.0	3.3	3.2
Gross Beta	76	0.2 ±0.4	13 ±2.8	3.7	2.8
²³⁸ Pu	78	-0.020±0.060	0.005±0.012	0.000	0.003
²³⁹ Pu	77	-0.010±0.060	0.036±0.006	0.004	0.007
¹³⁷ Cs	43	-0.14 ±0.14	0.80 ±0.14	0.17	0.19
⁹⁰ Sr	37	-0.11 ±0.12	0.90 ±0.60	0.20	0.25
Total U ^a	60	-0.9 ±1.8	4.1 ±2.6	1.5	1.2
<u>Soil and Sediments</u>					
Gross Alpha	153	0.1	18	4.0	3.2
Gross Beta	153	0.2	13	5.2	3.0
²³⁸ Pu	151	-0.030	0.010	0.000	0.004
²³⁹ Pu	149	-0.020	0.045	0.008	0.010
¹³⁷ Cs	76	-0.14	1.06	0.32	0.30
⁹⁰ Sr	68	-0.11	1.0	0.25	0.27
Total U ^a	118	-0.9	5.1	1.8	1.3

^aµg/g

Note: ± value represents twice the error item for that analyses

The total uranium in the regional soils and sediments results mainly from natural occurrence of uranium. Trace amounts may be attributed to worldwide fallout but are too low to distinguish. The total uranium content of soils or sediments from individual stations will vary because of chemical or mechanical weathering of different parent materials that contain varying amounts of uranium.

The average total uranium was slightly higher in soils (2.1 ± 1.4 µg/g) than in sediments (1.5 ± 1.2 µg/g). The range of total uranium of from 118 soil and sediment analyses ranged from -0.9 to 5.1

µg/g with an overall average of 1.8 ± 1.3 µg/g (Table I).

III. LEVELS OF RADIONUCLIDES RELATED TO RELEASE OF INDUSTRIAL EFFLUENTS

For the purpose of this report, individual sample results are considered above background (natural and worldwide fallout levels for Northern New Mexico) if they exceed the mean and 2 times the standard deviation (Table I). The mean plus the 2 times

the standard deviation includes approximately 95% of the population of samples. Two soil and five sediment stations from routine surveillance stations have shown levels of radionuclides in excess of background. The stations are in effluent release areas for industrial wastes. They are within the LASL boundaries (Fig. 2).

A. Soil from Effluent Areas

Samples from two stations within the LASL boundaries contained levels of plutonium in excess of fallout levels of radioactivity (Appendix III). Technical Area 21 (TA-21) is the site of a plutonium processing plant and also contains a liquid radioactive waste treatment plant. Technical Area 50 (TA-50) is the site of the major liquid radioactive waste treatment plant (Fig. 2). Some radioactivity is vented to the atmosphere at both areas after passing through filters which retain most of the radioactive particles.

Only two of the five samples of soil collected at TA-21 contained plutonium in excess of worldwide fallout. Both samples were collected in 1976. The major isotope was ^{239}Pu (Table II).

All five of the samples collected at TA-50 since 1975 have contained plutonium in excess of fallout levels (Table II). The major isotope is ^{239}Pu . The largest concentrations were in samples collected in 1977.

B. Sediments from Effluent Areas

Samples from four sediment stations down-gradient from liquid treatment plants contained higher levels of radionuclides when compared to those canyons that do not receive liquid effluents (Appendix IV). The concentrations of nuclides in sediments have varied because of transport and dispersion of contaminated sediments by storm runoff.

The flow in the canyons is intermittent, from effluent release and storm runoff. Only during periods of heavy storm runoff does the runoff reach the Rio Grande in Pueblo and Los Alamos Canyons. There has been no runoff outside the LASL boundaries in Mortandad Canyon since 1960. Effluents were first released into the canyon in 1963.¹

Sediments from Pueblo Canyon at SR-4 contain above background levels of plutonium as the canyon received effluents until 1964. The major isotope is ^{239}Pu (Table III). The concentrations have varied slightly but have essentially remained the same during the period 1975 through 1977 indicating that, at the present, transport and dispersion in the lower reach of the canyon have reached equilibrium.

Samples from two on-site sediment stations in Los Alamos Canyon contained above background levels of radioactivity. The canyon has received treated liquid radioactive effluents from the treatment plant at TA-21 since 1952.

TABLE II
SUMMARY OF PLUTONIUM ANALYSES OF SOIL FROM
EFFLUENT RELEASE AREAS
(Analyses in pCi/g)

	No. of Analyses	Min	Max	\bar{x}	s
TA-21					
^{238}Pu	5	0.000	0.008	0.004	0.003
^{239}Pu	5	0.005	0.600	0.167	0.254
TA-50					
^{238}Pu	5	0.003	0.017	0.006	0.006
^{239}Pu	5	0.088	6.98	1.607	3.014

TABLE III
SUMMARY OF RADIOCHEMICAL ANALYSES OF SEDIMENT
FROM EFFLUENT RELEASE AREAS
(Analyses in pCi/g except as noted)

	No. of Analyses	Min	Max	\bar{x}	s
Pueblo at SR-4					
^{238}Pu	6	0.000	0.003	0.002	0.001
^{239}Pu	6	0.011	0.380	0.267	0.138
Los Alamos at TW-3					
^{238}Pu	6	0.002	0.115	0.070	0.046
^{239}Pu	6	0.040	0.720	0.274	0.272
^{137}Cs	4	0.16	26	13	15
^{90}Sr	4	2.4	8.5	4.9	2.6
Los Alamos at SR-4					
^{238}Pu	6	-0.003	0.008	0.003	0.004
^{239}Pu	6	0.021	0.163	0.051	0.055
Mortandad at MCO-5					
^{238}Pu	5	4.07	6.01	4.83	0.74
^{239}Pu	5	0.95	15.6	3.91	6.54
^{137}Cs	2	—	71	71	0
^{90}Sr	1	—	2.7	—	—
Potrillo Canyon at TA-36					
Total U*	4	0.7	5.6	3.6	2.3

* $\mu\text{g/g}$.

Los Alamos Canyon at TW-3 is about 1.2 km below the outfall from the treatment plant. Gross beta activity, ^{238}Pu , ^{239}Pu , ^{137}Cs , and ^{90}Sr have been above background levels at various times during the period 1975-77 (Table III). The levels have varied from sample to sample reflecting transport and dispersion with storm runoff.

Los Alamos Canyon at SR-4 is located about 3.6 km downgradient from the station at TW-3 (Fig. 2). During the collection period (1975-77), all samples contained ^{239}Pu above background. Radionuclides in sediments at TW-3 have been dispersed by storm runoff so that lower concentrations occur at SR-4.

Mortandad Canyon at MCO-5 is 2.2 km below the outfall from the liquid radioactive waste treatment plant at TA-50. The sediments have contained gross beta, ^{238}Pu , ^{239}Pu , ^{137}Cs , and ^{90}Sr levels that were above background. The concentrations of ^{238}Pu and ^{239}Pu have varied, however, ^{239}Pu was the major isotope of plutonium released in the past few years.

The sediment station in Potrillo Canyon at TA-36 lies downgradient from a test area that expends some uranium.⁶ Uranium was background in 1975 and no samples were analyzed in 1976. The total uranium in 1977 was slightly above background at 5.6 and 5.1 $\mu\text{g/g}$. The 1977 results indicate some transport by storm runoff from the test area into the canyon.

IV. SUMMARY

The gross alpha, gross beta, and total uranium reflect natural occurring radioactivity in the rock forming minerals in the soil and sediments. The levels of gross alpha, gross beta, and total uranium added to the soils and sediments from fallout are too low to distinguish from the higher levels that occurred from the natural radioactivity. The fallout levels of ^{238}Pu , ^{239}Pu , ^{137}Cs , and ^{90}Sr are evident in the soils and sediments. The mean values of ^{238}Pu , ^{239}Pu , ^{137}Cs , and ^{90}Sr are lower in the sediments

than in the soils as sediments in part are derived by erosion from materials not exposed to world-wide fallout.

The radioactivity attributed to release of industrial effluents was found in samples from two soil and five sediment stations. The levels of radionuclides varied, showing no particular trends due to dispersion and transport by storm runoff.

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APPENDIX I

RADIOCHEMICAL ANALYSES OF SOILS SHOWING NATURAL OR WORLDWIDE-FALLOUT LEVELS

	Date	pCi/g						$\mu\text{g/g}$
		Gross Alpha	Gross Beta	^{238}Pu	^{239}Pu	^{137}Cs	^{90}Sr	Total U
Regional Chamita	7-14-74	2.0±0.6	9.7±1.0	0.001±0.002	0.006±0.004	0.81±0.26	—	—
	5-8-75	2.9±1.2	5.7±2.4	—	—	—	—	0.8±0.2
	10-7-75	3.4±1.6	5.1±1.2	0.000±0.001	0.017±0.006	—	—	0.8±0.2
	3-29-76	6.1±3.0	7.4±1.6	0.001±0.001	0.008±0.003	0.68±0.06	—	2.1±0.8
	10-4-76	1.2±1.2	5.2±1.2	0.002±0.004	0.014±0.004	—	0.38±0.32	—
	3-7-77	10 ±4.0	7.7±1.8	-0.002±0.002	0.017±0.006	0.75±0.12	0.09±0.14	3.0±1.8
	10-18-77	3.9±2.0	8.2±2.0	-0.001±0.000	0.010±0.006	0.57±0.16	0.29±0.18	3.0±1.8
Embudo	7-14-74	0.7±0.4	11 ±1.4	0.001±0.002	0.005±0.002	0.56±0.26	—	—
	5-8-75	2.8±1.2	5.7±2.4	0.000±0.002	0.008±0.004	—	—	1.2±0.4
	10-7-75	2.0±1.0	3.9±1.0	0.000±0.001	0.009±0.003	—	—	0.1±0.2
	29-76	5.0±2.4	8.3±1.8	0.001±0.002	0.012±0.004	0.77±0.06	0.90±2.00	1.1±0.6
	10-4-76	3.5±1.8	5.3±1.4	0.003±0.003	0.019±0.006	—	—	—
	3-7-77	3.9±2.0	5.9±1.4	0.001±0.010	0.010±0.010	0.37±0.06	0.40±0.22	2.2±1.8
	10-18-77	4.3±2.2	8.0±1.8	-0.002±0.004	0.015±0.006	0.72±0.16	—	1.8±1.2
Otwi	7-14-74	0.8±0.4	8.3±0.8	-0.002±0.008	0.012±0.008	0.76±0.26	—	—
	5-9-75	2.7±1.2	5.2±2.2	0.002±0.003	0.006±0.004	—	—	1.3±0.4
	10-4-76	2.7±1.4	4.4±1.2	—	—	—	—	—
	3-8-77	5.8±2.8	7.2±1.6	—	—	1.06±0.28	0.04±0.16	3.7±2.0
	10-14-77	2.7±1.4	5.6±1.4	-0.001±0.001	0.021±0.006	0.95±0.28	0.20±0.20	3.9±1.8
Cochiti	5-8-75	3.1±1.4	6.1±2.6	0.000±0.002	0.002±0.003	—	—	1.0±0.2
	10-8-75	4.0±2.0	5.3±1.2	0.001±0.002	0.000±0.000	—	—	1.6±0.2
	4-2-76	12 ±6.0	8.7±2.0	0.000±0.001	0.004±0.002	—	1.00±2.40	1.4±0.6
	10-5-76	2.8±1.8	3.3±1.0	0.001±0.002	0.003±0.003	—	—	—
	3-8-77	10 ±6.0	7.2±1.6	-0.002±0.003	0.001±0.004	0.12±0.18	0.03±0.06	1.9±1.6
	10-19-77	3.9±1.8	6.0±1.4	0.001±0.003	0.003±0.004	0.48±0.10	0.34±0.22	2.3±1.2
Bernalillo	7-14-74	0.6±0.4	8.7±0.8	0.000±0.001	0.006±0.004	0.33±0.24	—	—
	5-8-75	2.3±1.0	4.4±1.8	0.001±0.002	0.012±0.005	—	—	0.6±0.2
	10-9-75	6.0±3.0	5.7±1.4	0.000±0.001	0.001±0.001	—	—	1.9±1.2
	4-2-76	3.4±1.8	3.7±1.0	0.000±0.001	0.004±0.002	0.24±0.04	—	0.9±0.6
	10-5-76	1.5±1.2	3.3±1.0	0.002±0.002	0.002±0.002	—	—	—
	3-8-77	4.6±2.6	4.6±1.2	-0.002±0.012	-0.002±0.010	0.06±0.04	0.05±0.03	2.7±2.0
	10-19-77	5.2±2.6	5.8±1.6	0.000±0.001	0.002±0.004	0.32±0.06	0.24±0.20	2.1±1.2
Jemez	7-14-74	0.1±0.4	9.9±1.0	0.000±0.000	0.001±0.004	0.11±0.24	—	—
	5-9-75	2.2±1.0	4.4±1.8	-0.002±-0.002	0.001±0.003	—	—	0.5±0.1
	9-30-75	1.4±0.8	2.5±0.8	-0.001±-0.002	0.012±0.005	—	—	0.1±0.1
	4-2-76	7.2±3.6	5.7±1.4	0.001±0.002	0.002±0.002	0.11±0.03	0.98±2.40	1.1±0.6
	10-5-76	1.5±1.6	3.6±1.0	0.001±0.002	0.007±0.004	0.14±0.04	0.05±0.40	—
	3-8-77	15 ±8.0	8.6±2.0	0.010±0.060	-0.020±0.060	0.21±0.10	0.14±0.08	1.7±1.8
	10-19-77	1.7±1.2	5.4±1.4	0.000±0.004	0.001±0.004	0.07±0.12	0.26±0.22	1.2±1.2

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		pCi/g						µg/g
	Date	Gross Alpha	Gross Beta	²³⁸ Pu	²³⁹ Pu	¹³⁷ Cs	⁹⁰ Sr	Total U
No. of Analysis		39	39	36	36	22	16	28
Minimum		0.1	2.5	-0.002	-0.020	0.07	0.03	0.1
Maximum		15	11	0.010	0.019	1.06	1.00	3.9
x		4.0	6.2	0.000	0.006	0.46	0.34	1.6
s		3.2	2.0	0.002	0.007	0.31	0.33	1.0
Perimeter								
Sportsman Club	5-12-75	4.8±2.0	8.3±3.4	0.002±0.002	0.022±0.006	—	—	0.1±0.2
	10-6-75	3.1±1.4	9.8±2.2	0.002±0.002	0.042±0.007	—	—	0.1±0.2
	4-21-76	3.7±1.6	3.4±0.8	0.002±0.002	0.012±0.004	—	—	2.5±0.8
	10-13-76	3.9±1.8	5.3±1.4	0.004±0.003	0.021±0.006	—	—	—
	4-12-77	9.0±4.0	8.4±2.0	-0.003±0.008	0.022±0.016	1.04±0.18	-0.01±0.08	4.0±2.2
	10-14-77	5.7±2.6	8.7±2.0	-0.003±0.003	0.015±0.006	0.81±0.18	0.50±0.24	3.7±1.6
TA-8	5-12-75	3.5±1.6	8.4±3.4	-0.001±0.004	0.014±0.007	—	—	0.7±0.2
	10-6-75	3.8±1.8	5.0±1.2	0.002±0.002	0.013±0.004	—	—	0.1±0.2
	4-21-76	10 ±4.0	7.2±1.6	-0.000±0.001	0.004±0.003	—	—	2.3±0.8
	10-12-76	4.8±2.2	3.9±1.0	0.002±0.003	0.012±0.004	—	—	—
	4-12-77	6.1±3.0	11 ±2.4	-0.030±0.060	—	—	0.35±0.06	5.1±1.6
	10-14-77	7.0±3.0	12 ±2.6	0.001±0.004	0.045±0.010	—	—	2.0±1.2
TA-49	5-12-75	5.2±2.2	7.4±3.0	0.004±0.003	0.012±0.005	—	—	2.1±0.8
	10-1-75	8.0±3.6	5.9±1.4	-0.001±0.001	0.044±0.005	—	—	2.0±0.4
	4-21-76	18 ±4.0	12 ±2.4	-0.000±0.002	0.006±0.004	—	—	3.9±0.8
	10-12-76	2.8±1.4	6.2±1.4	0.000±0.001	0.027±0.006	—	—	—
	4-12-77	2.6±1.2	2.9±0.8	0.004±0.012	0.005±0.018	0.51±0.10	0.14±0.11	4.7±2.2
	10-14-77	6.6±2.8	11 ±2.6	0.004±0.004	0.031±0.008	—	—	4.3±1.8
TA-33	5-12-75	5.0±2.0	7.2±3.0	-0.001±0.002	0.003±0.003	—	—	2.7±0.4
	10-6-75	4.3±2.0	5.0±1.2	0.001±0.001	0.008±0.003	—	—	0.2±0.2
	4-21-76	7.6±3.4	7.0±1.6	0.002±0.001	0.013±0.003	—	—	2.7±0.8
	10-12-76	2.5±1.2	5.1±1.2	0.002±0.002	0.027±0.006	—	0.10±2.2	—
	4-12-77	8.3±3.8	7.2±1.6	0.001±0.010	0.009±0.010	0.39±0.08	0.15±0.08	4.5±2.0
	10-14-77	7.2±3.2	8.5±2.0	0.003±0.004	0.006±0.004	0.47±0.14	0.06±0.22	2.3±1.4

APPENDIX I

RADIOCHEMICAL ANALYSES OF SOILS SHOWING NATURAL OR WORLDWIDE-FALLOUT LEVELS (continued)

		pCi/g						$\mu\text{g/g}$
	Date	Gross Alpha	Gross Beta	^{238}Pu	^{239}Pu	^{137}Cs	^{90}Sr	Total U
<u>Perimeter (continued)</u>								
Frijoles	10-7-76	4.0 \pm 2.0	6.1 \pm 1.4	0.001 \pm 0.002	0.033 \pm 0.008	—	0.50 \pm 0.20	—
	3-9-77	6.7 \pm 3.0	6.3 \pm 1.4	0.004 \pm 0.010	0.013 \pm 0.012	0.79 \pm 0.12	0.44 \pm 0.28	1.4 \pm 2.4
	10-14-77	4.4 \pm 2.0	6.5 \pm 1.6	—0.001 \pm 0.002	0.019 \pm 0.006	0.95 \pm 0.18	0.17 \pm 0.38	2.6 \pm 1.6
	No. of Analysis	27	27	27	26	7	10	22
	Minimum	2.5	3.4	—0.030	0.005	0.39	—0.01	0.1
	Maximum	18	12	0.004	0.045	1.04	0.50	5.1
	\bar{x}	5.9	7.2	0.000	0.018	0.71	0.24	2.4
	s	3.2	2.4	0.006	0.012	0.25	0.19	1.6
<u>On-Site</u>								
PM-1	5-12-75	5.9 \pm 2.4	10 \pm 4.0	—0.001 \pm 0.004	0.015 \pm 0.009	—	—	1.4 \pm 0.6
	10-6-75	3.8 \pm 1.8	4.9 \pm 1.2	0.000 \pm 0.000	0.012 \pm 0.007	—	—	0.2 \pm 0.2
	4-21-76	6.8 \pm 3.0	6.4 \pm 1.4	0.001 \pm 0.008	0.009 \pm 0.009	—	—	2.7 \pm 1.0
	10-12-76	2.4 \pm 1.2	3.5 \pm 1.0	0.001 \pm 0.002	0.016 \pm 0.004	—	0.60 \pm 0.40	—
	4-12-77	5.3 \pm 2.4	7.4 \pm 1.6	0.002 \pm 0.003	0.011 \pm 0.004	0.61 \pm 0.10	0.46 \pm 0.28	4.4 \pm 2.2
	10-14-77	6.8 \pm 3.0	8.9 \pm 2.0	—0.001 \pm 0.003	0.017 \pm 0.006	0.63 \pm 0.22	0.30 \pm 0.36	4.8 \pm 2.0
	No. of Analysis	11	11	10	10	4	5	8
TA-33	5-21-75	3.9 \pm 1.6	10 \pm 4.0	0.001 \pm 0.002	0.003 \pm 0.007	—	—	0.5 \pm 0.2
	4-21-76	2.0 \pm 1.0	1.5 \pm 0.6	—	—	—	—	—
	10-13-76	2.3 \pm 1.2	4.0 \pm 1.0	0.001 \pm 0.002	0.007 \pm 0.003	—	—	—
	4-12-77	15 \pm 6.0	10 \pm 2.2	0.003 \pm 0.012	0.014 \pm 0.020	0.46 \pm 0.10	0.10 \pm 0.02	4.5 \pm 1.8
	11-10-77	7.9 \pm 3.6	10 \pm 2.4	0.000 \pm 0.003	0.011 \pm 0.006	0.33 \pm 0.10	0.51 \pm 0.22	2.6 \pm 1.4
	Minimum	2.0	1.5	—0.001	0.003	0.33	0.10	0.2
	Maximum	15	10	0.003	0.017	0.63	0.60	4.8
	\bar{x}	5.6	7.0	0.001	0.011	0.51	0.39	2.6
	s	3.7	3.1	0.001	0.004	0.14	0.20	1.8
<u>All Soils</u>								
	No. of Analysis	77	77	73	72	33	31	58
	Minimum	0.1	1.5	—0.030	—0.020	0.07	—0.01	0.1
	Maximum	18	12	0.010	0.045	1.06	1.00	5.1
	\bar{x}	4.9	6.7	0.000	0.012	0.52	0.33	2.1
	s	3.4	2.4	0.004	0.012	0.30	0.27	1.4

Note: \pm value represents twice the error term for that analysis.

APPENDIX II

RADIOCHEMICAL ANALYSES OF SEDIMENTS SHOWING NATURAL OR WORLDWIDE-FALLOUT LEVELS

Regional	Date	$\mu\text{Ci/g}$						$\mu\text{g/g}$
		Gross Alpha	Gross Beta	^{238}Pu	^{239}Pu	^{137}Cs	^{90}Sr	Total U
Chemito	7-14-74	0.4±0.4	5.4±0.8	0.000±0.002	0.001±0.002	0.08±0.24	—	—
	5-8-75	1.7±0.8	2.5±1.0	0.002±0.003	0.001±0.002	—	—	0.2±0.2
	9-30-75	4.9±2.4	3.8±1.0	-0.001±0.001	0.001±0.002	—	—	1.4±0.8
	3-29-76	9.0±4.0	5.2±1.2	0.000±0.001	0.002±0.001	0.19±0.03	—	1.0±0.4
	10-4-76	0.5±0.8	1.1±0.6	0.000±0.001	0.000±0.001	—	0.01±0.14	—
	3-7-77	1.6±1.0	1.6±0.6	0.001±0.001	0.001±0.004	0.08±0.06	-0.01±0.11	0.9±1.4
	10-18-77	0.9±0.8	1.7±0.8	0.000±0.004	0.001±0.003	0.06±0.06	0.00±0.20	1.5±1.0
Embudo	7-14-74	0.7±0.4	11 ±1.0	0.001±0.004	0.005±0.004	0.56±0.26	—	—
	5-8-75	1.5±0.8	1.6±0.8	-0.001±0.002	0.002±0.003	—	—	1.5±1.0
	10-7-75	3.4±1.8	3.9±1.0	0.000±0.001	0.011±0.004	—	—	1.3±0.8
	3-29-76	4.2±2.2	3.5±1.0	0.000±0.002	0.002±0.002	0.14±0.03	—	0.3±0.2
	10-4-76	0.7±1.0	1.6±0.8	0.001±0.004	0.001±0.003	—	0.02±0.06	—
	3-7-77	1.7±1.0	1.2±0.6	0.001±0.004	0.002±0.008	0.14±0.04	-0.04±0.12	2.7±2.0
	10-18-77	1.6±1.0	1.4±0.8	-0.001±0.001	0.001±0.001	0.09±0.06	0.77±0.27	1.7±0.8
Otowi	10-14-74	0.4±0.2	10 ±0.5	0.000±0.000	0.032±0.016	0.16±0.24	—	—
	5-8-75	1.2±0.8	1.1±0.6	0.000±0.000	0.013±0.005	—	—	0.2±0.2
	10-7-75	1.3±0.8	1.4±0.6	-0.002±0.002	0.013±0.022	—	—	3.8±1.2
	4-29-76	3.5±2.0	3.7±1.0	-0.001±0.002	0.002±0.002	0.20±0.03	—	0.5±1.0
	10-4-76	2.3±1.6	3.0±1.0	0.000±0.002	0.003±0.003	—	—	—
	3-8-77	1.7±1.0	2.3±0.8	0.003±0.006	0.005±0.006	0.06±0.06	0.08±0.08	0.5±1.4
	10-14-77	2.3±1.2	3.4±1.0	0.000±0.002	0.003±0.003	-0.08±0.16	0.51±0.20	1.3±1.0
Cochiti	7-15-74	0.4±0.2	4.6±0.6	0.000±0.000	0.000±0.000	0.03±0.24	—	—
	5-8-75	5.0±2.0	6.4±2.6	0.000±0.000	-0.001±0.001	—	—	0.8±0.2
	10-5-76	0.5±0.8	1.7±0.8	0.003±0.004	0.002±0.003	—	0.90±0.60	—
	3-8-77	3.4±1.8	2.0±0.8	-0.020±0.060	0.030±0.040	0.05±0.04	0.03±0.02	2.7±2.0
	10-19-77	2.0±1.0	1.3±0.8	0.000±0.003	0.001±0.002	0.04±0.06	-0.05±0.18	1.1±1.0
Bernalillo	7-15-74	0.8±0.4	11 ±1.0	0.000±0.000	0.004±0.002	0.23±0.24	—	—
	5-8-75	1.9±2.0	2.4±1.0	0.000±0.003	0.004±0.003	—	—	0.6±0.2
	4-2-76	1.1±0.6	6.1±1.4	-0.001±0.001	0.005±0.002	0.23±0.04	0.80±0.20	1.7±0.8
	10-5-76	1.4±1.4	2.4±0.8	0.000±0.001	0.003±0.002	—	0.40±0.60	—
	3-8-77	14 ±8.0	5.3±1.4	0.001±0.004	0.013±0.014	0.18±0.08	0.05±0.03	3.4±1.6
	10-19-77	1.5±1.0	1.5±0.8	-0.004±0.002	0.001±0.002	-0.01±0.12	0.08±0.18	2.3±1.0

APPENDIX II
RADIOCHEMICAL ANALYSES OF SEDIMENTS SHOWING NATURAL OR WORLDWIDE-FALLOUT LEVELS (continued)

	pCi/g							μg/g
	Date	Gross Alpha	Gross Beta	²³⁸ Pu	²³⁹ Pu	¹³⁷ Cs	⁹⁰ Sr	Total U
<u>Regional</u>								
Jemez	7-24-74	1.0±0.4	8.9±1.0	0.000±0.002	0.002±0.002	0.34±0.24	—	—
	5-8-75	1.7±0.8	2.5±1.0	0.002±0.003	0.001±0.002	—	—	0.2±0.3
	9-30-75	4.9±2.4	3.8±1.0	—0.001±0.001	0.001±0.001	—	—	1.4±0.8
	4-2-76	10 ±4.0	5.0±1.2	0.001±0.001	0.002±0.002	0.13±0.03	—	2.0±0.8
	10-5-76	9.0±4.0	6.0±1.4	0.000±0.003	0.008±0.004	—	—	—
	3-8-77	12 ±3.0	4.7±1.2	0.000±0.002	0.006±0.004	0.32±0.08	0.16±0.16	1.7±1.8
	10-19-77	14 ±3.0	12 ±2.6	0.001±0.002	0.007±0.004	0.46±0.12	0.17±0.20	2.7±1.2
	No. of Analysis	39	38	39	38	23	17	27
	Minimum	0.4	1.1	—0.020	—0.001	—0.08	—0.05	0.2
	Maximum	14	12	0.003	0.032	0.56	0.90	3.8
\bar{x}	3.3	4.1	0.000	0.005	0.16	0.23	1.5	
s	3.8	3.0	0.003	0.007	0.15	0.32	1.0	
<u>Perimeter</u>								
Gauje at G—4	5-12-75	2.1±1.0	1.6±0.8	0.000±0.001	0.001±0.002	—	—	0.4±0.2
	10-6-75	1.1±0.6	1.3±0.6	0.002±0.003	0.002±0.002	—	—	0.1±0.2
	4-21-76	3.3±1.4	2.9±0.8	—0.006±0.007	0.000±0.000	0.09±0.06	0.56±3.4	2.7±1.0
	10-12-76	1.2±0.6	1.1±0.6	0.000±0.002	0.002±0.002	—	—	—
	4-12-77	1.9±1.0	1.7±0.6	0.001±0.002	0.000±0.003	—0.13±0.12	0.02±0.20	—0.9±1.8
	10-14-77	1.7±1.0	1.5±0.8	—0.002±0.003	0.001±0.002	0.06±0.08	0.10±0.26	1.7±1.4
Mortandad at SR—4	5-12-75	—	—	0.001±0.001	0.001±0.002	—	—	0.3±0.2
	10-6-75	1.8±1.0	2.2±0.6	0.000±0.007	—0.003±0.004	—	—	0.1±0.2
	4-21-76	3.8±1.8	2.4±0.8	—0.002±0.005	0.004±0.006	0.08±0.03	—	1.4±0.8
	10-12-76	2.8±1.4	1.8±0.8	0.002±0.002	0.004±0.003	—	0.11±0.06	—
	4-12-77	5.1±2.4	5.1±1.2	0.002±0.020	0.010±0.040	0.01±0.16	0.14±0.04	2.0±1.8
	10-14-77	4.9±2.2	6.5±1.6	0.001±0.002	0.002±0.004	0.16±0.18	0.14±0.22	2.6±1.6
Pajarito at SR—4	5-12-75	1.4±0.8	1.8±0.8	0.000±0.002	0.004±0.002	—	—	0.1±0.2
	10-6-75	2.6±1.4	3.3±0.8	—0.010±0.010	—0.003±0.002	—	—	0.2±0.2
	4-21-76	2.0±1.0	1.8±0.6	0.001±0.001	0.000±0.001	0.06±0.02	—0.09±1.76	1.8±0.8
	10-12-76	1.7±1.0	1.7±0.8	0.000±0.002	0.000±0.002	—	—	—
	4-12-77	9.0±4.0	6.6±1.6	—0.009±0.014	—0.006±0.012	0.15±0.08	—0.06±0.12	2.6±1.8
	10-14-77	5.6±2.4	6.3±1.6	0.000±0.001	0.009±0.004	0.39±0.12	0.24±0.28	3.0±1.4
Frijoles at Pk. Hdqr.	5-8-75	2.5±1.2	2.6±1.2	0.003±0.003	0.001±0.002	—	—	1.5±0.2
	10-6-75	1.4±0.8	1.8±0.6	0.001±0.003	0.000±0.001	—	—	0.4±0.2
	3-30-76	3.6±1.6	3.5±1.0	0.000±0.001	0.002±0.002	0.16±0.06	—	2.4±0.8
	10-7-76	1.4±1.0	2.9±0.8	0.000±0.002	0.003±0.002	—	0.10±0.06	—
	3-9-77	1.3±0.8	2.4±0.8	0.005±0.012	0.001±0.002	—0.14±0.14	0.04±0.02	1.4±1.8
	10-14-77	1.8±1.0	1.1±0.8	0.001±0.001	0.002±0.002	0.10±0.06	0.14±0.22	3.0±1.2

APPENDIX II

RADIOCHEMICAL ANALYSES OF SEDIMENTS SHOWING NATURAL OR WORLDWIDE-FAILOUT LEVELS (continued)

		pCi/g						µg/g
	Date	Gross Alpha	Gross Beta	²³⁸ Pu	²³⁹ Pu	¹³⁷ Cs	⁹⁰ Sr	Total U
No. of Analysis	23	23	24	24	12	12	20	
Minimum	1.1	1.1	-0.010	-0.006	-0.14	-0.09	-0.9	
Maximum	9.0	6.6	0.005	0.010	0.39	0.66	3.0	
\bar{x}	2.8	2.8	0.000	0.002	0.08	0.12	1.3	
s	1.9	1.7	0.003	0.003	0.14	0.17	1.2	
<u>On-Site</u>								
Water at Beta	5-20-75	2.2±1.0	2.2±1.0	0.000±0.002	0.001±0.002	—	—	0.8±0.4
	9-26-75	0.6±0.4	0.2±0.4	0.000±0.001	0.002±0.002	—	—	0.2±0.4
	4-21-76	2.5±1.2	1.8±0.6	0.000±0.002	0.003±0.002	0.11±0.03	—	0.3±0.6
	4-11-77	10 ±4.0	4.5±1.2	0.001±0.003	0.000±0.003	0.19±0.04	-0.11±0.12	4.1±2.4
	11-19-77	3.4±1.6	5.1±1.4	-0.002±0.003	0.011±0.004	0.80±0.14	—	3.0±1.6
Water at SR-4	5-12-75	2.4±1.0	2.6±1.2	0.000±0.002	0.001±0.001	—	—	0.3±0.2
	10-6-75	2.4±1.2	3.3±0.8	0.001±0.008	—	—	—	0.1±0.2
	4-21-76	8.7±3.8	6.4±1.4	0.002±0.002	0.006±0.003	0.39±0.04	0.36±2.1	3.7±0.8
	10-12-76	1.3±0.8	1.2±0.6	0.001±0.003	0.001±0.003	—	0.06±0.10	—
	4-12-77	2.1±1.0	2.8±0.8	-0.001±0.015	0.010±0.016	0.14±0.06	0.28±0.16	1.8±1.6
	10-14-77	6.0±2.8	13 ±2.8	-0.000±0.002	0.036±0.006	—	0.46±0.24	3.3±1.4
Ancho at SR-4	4-21-76	9.0±4.0	6.9±1.6	0.000±0.000	0.005±0.003	0.17±0.03	—	3.1±0.8
	10-12-76	1.2±0.6	2.0±0.8	0.000±0.003	0.001±0.003	—	0.20±0.26	—
	4-12-77	—	—	0.001±0.012	-0.010±0.006	0.14±0.06	0.04±0.04	2.9±2.0
	10-14-77	3.9±1.8	5.8±1.4	0.001±0.002	0.008±0.004	0.68±0.18	0.30±0.26	2.1±1.6
No. of Analysis	14	14	15	14	8	8	13	
Minimum	0.6	0.2	-0.002	-0.010	0.11	-0.11	0.1	
Maximum	10.0	13.0	0.002	0.036	0.80	0.46	4.1	
\bar{x}	4.0	4.1	0.000	0.005	0.33	0.20	2.0	
s	3.1	3.3	0.001	0.010	0.27	0.19	1.5	
60								
<u>All Sediments</u>								
No. of Analyses	76	76	78	77	43	37	60	
Minimum	0.4	0.2	-0.020	-0.010	-0.14	-0.11	-0.9	
Maximum	14.0	13.0	0.005	0.036	0.80	0.80	4.1	
\bar{x}	3.3	3.7	0.000	0.004	0.17	0.20	1.5	
s	3.2	2.8	0.003	0.007	0.19	0.25	1.2	

Note: ± values represent twice the error term for that analysis.

APPENDIX III
RADIOCHEMICAL ANALYSES OF SOIL FROM EFFLUENT RELEASE AREAS

	Date	pCi/g						μg/g
		Gross Alpha	Gross Beta	²³⁸ Pu	²³⁹ Pu	¹³⁷ Cs	⁹⁰ Sr	Total U
TA-21	5-12-75	4.8±2.0	6.1±2.6	—	—	—	—	0.1±0.2
	10-6-75	4.9±2.2	4.2±1.0	0.003±0.003	0.032±0.008	—	—	0.1±0.2
	4-21-76	10 ±4	8.5±1.8	0.007±0.006	0.600±0.060	—	0.74±4.40	2.9±1.0
	10-12-76	2.6±1.2	3.1±1.0	0.003±0.004	0.193±0.022	—	0.50±3.20	—
	4-12-77	8.2±3.6	5.7±1.4	0.008±0.003	0.005±0.004	0.70±0.08	—	3.8±1.6
	10-14-77	6.6±3.0	7.6±1.5	0.000±0.003	0.007±0.006	0.12±0.22	0.90±0.22	2.5±1.4
	No. of Analysis	6	6	5	5	2	3	5
	Minimum	2.6	3.1	0.000	0.095	0.12	0.50	0.1
	Maximum	10	8.5	0.008	0.600	0.70	0.90	3.8
	\bar{x}	6.2	5.9	0.004	0.167	0.41	0.71	1.9
	s	2.6	2.0	0.003	0.254	0.41	0.20	1.7
TA-50	5-21-75	4.9±2.0	7.6±3.2	0.003±0.003	0.180±0.021	—	—	1.8±0.4
	4-21-76	8.2±3.6	6.0±1.4	0.005±0.005	0.099±0.017	—	3.40±3.00	5.3±0.8
	10-12-76	3.2±1.4	5.5±1.4	0.003±0.003	0.088±0.010	—	3.00±4.00	—
	4-12-77	17 ±8.0	12 ±2.6	0.004±0.006	6.980±0.320	0.89±0.16	0.08±0.06	8.7±2.0
	10-14-77	7.4±3.2	12 ±2.6	0.017±0.004	0.680±0.040	1.19±0.22	0.68±0.22	8.0±2.2
	No. of Analysis	5	5	5	5	2	4	4
	Minimum	3.2	5.5	0.003	0.088	0.89	0.08	1.8
	Maximum	17	12	0.017	6.980	1.19	3.40	8.7
	\bar{x}	8.1	8.6	0.006	1.607	1.04	1.60	6.0
	s	5.3	3.2	0.006	3.014	0.21	1.85	3.1

Note: ± values represent twice the error term for that analysis.

APPENDIX IV

RADIOCHEMICAL ANALYSES OF SEDIMENTS FROM EFFLUENT RELEASE AREAS

		pCi/g						µg/g
	Date	Gross Alpha	Gross Beta	²³⁹ Pu	²³⁹ Pu	¹³⁷ Cs	⁹⁰ Sr	Total U
Pueblo at SR-4	6-12-75	2.2±1.0	1.2±0.6	0.002±0.003	0.352±0.034	—	—	1.3±0.4
	10-6-75	1.0±0.8	0.6±0.4	0.001±0.002	0.274±0.026	—	—	0.1±0.2
	4-21-76	21 ±8.0	28 ±6.0	0.000±0.001	0.011±0.003	0.46±0.04	—	30 ±4.0
	10-12-76	0.9±0.6	0.5±0.6	0.002±0.002	0.355±0.034	—	0.20±0.18	—
	4-11-77	2.3±1.0	1.4±0.6	0.002±0.010	0.380±0.050	0.07±0.04	0.09±0.16	3.1±1.8
	10-14-77	2.3±1.2	2.6±0.8	0.003±0.006	0.228±0.030	0.15±0.08	-0.04±0.18	—
	No. of Analysis	6	6	6	6	3	3	4
	Minimum	0.9	0.6	0.000	0.011	0.07	-0.04	0.1
	Maximum	21	28	0.003	0.380	0.46	0.20	30
	\bar{x}	4.9	5.7	0.002	0.267	0.23	0.08	8.6
	s	7.9	10.9	0.001	0.138	0.21	0.12	14
Los Alamos at TW-3	4-18-75	2.7±1.2	2.1±0.6	0.002±0.002	0.076±0.012	—	—	1.1±0.2
	10-6-75	—	—	0.032±0.005	0.106±0.011	—	—	—
	4-21-76	2.6±1.2	28 ±6.0	0.059±0.008	0.214±0.016	0.16±0.10	8.5±2.8	1.4±0.6
	10-13-76	1.4±0.8	19 ±3.8	0.115±0.016	0.720±0.060	0.91±0.08	3.9±0.4	—
	4-11-77	2.7±1.4	23 ±6.0	0.099±0.022	0.040±0.060	26 ±3.6	2.4±0.28	1.2±1.6
	10-18-77	3.9±1.3	52 ±10	0.111±0.012	0.488±0.030	26 ±3.6	4.9±0.40	3.0±1.4
	No. of Analysis	5	5	6	6	4	4	4
	Minimum	1.4	2.1	0.002	0.040	0.16	2.4	1.1
	Maximum	3.9	52	0.115	0.720	26	8.5	3.0
	\bar{x}	2.7	26	0.070	0.274	13	4.9	1.7
	s	0.9	18	0.046	0.272	15	2.6	0.9
Los Alamos at SR-4	7-1-75	1.5±0.6	4.4±1.0	0.008±0.004	0.163±0.016	—	—	0.3±0.2
	10-6-75	0.9±0.6	2.9±0.8	0.006±0.012	0.046±0.009	—	—	0.1±0.2
	4-21-76	4.6±2.0	5.0±1.2	0.001±0.002	0.033±0.006	1.5 ±0.10	—	3.3±0.8
	10-12-76	1.1±0.6	1.6±0.8	0.003±0.002	0.022±0.006	0.88±0.08	0.41±0.10	—
	4-11-77	1.8±1.0	3.7±1.0	-0.003±0.010	0.021±0.012	0.67±0.12	0.06±0.03	3.6±2.2
	10-14-77	2.6±1.2	4.0±1.2	0.002±0.003	0.022±0.006	0.72±0.24	0.40±0.26	3.5±1.4
	No. of Analysis	6	6	6	6	4	3	5
	Minimum	0.9	1.2	-0.003	0.021	0.67	0.05	0.1
	Maximum	4.6	5.0	0.008	0.163	1.5	0.41	3.6
	\bar{x}	2.1	3.6	0.003	0.051	0.84	0.29	2.2
	s	1.4	1.2	0.004	0.055	0.38	0.21	1.8

APPENDIX IV
RADIOCHEMICAL ANALYSES OF SEDIMENTS FROM EFFLUENT RELEASE AREAS (continued)

		pCi/g						μg/g
	Date	Gross Alpha	Gross Beta	²³⁸ Pu	²³⁹ Pu	¹³⁷ Cs	⁹⁰ Sr	Total U
Mortandad at TW-8	4-18-75	—	—	4.070±0.220	0.950±0.080	—	—	—
	10-6-75	—	—	4.970±0.240	1.180±0.080	—	—	—
	10-15-76	—	—	4.670±0.220	0.890±0.080	—	—	—
	4-13-77	7.1±3.0	67 ±14	4.420±0.100	0.940±0.036	71 ±10	2.7±0.4	3.4±1.8
	11-17-77	8.4±3.6	75 ±16	6.010±0.300	15.600±0.600	71 ±10	—	1.0±4.0
	No. of Analysis	2	2	5	5	2	1	2
	Minimum	7.1	67	4.070	0.950	—	—	1.0
	Maximum	8.4	75	6.010	15.600	71	2.7	3.4
	\bar{x}	7.8	71	4.828	3.912	71	—	2.2
	s	0.9	5.7	0.739	6.535	0	—	1.7
Portillo at TA-36	5-21-75	3.5±1.6	5.6±2.4	0.004±0.003	0.005±0.003	—	—	0.7±0.2
	4-21-76	10 ±4.0	6.9±1.6	-0.002±0.001	0.005±0.002	0.33±0.04	—	2.8±0.8
	10-13-76	3.6±1.6	11 ±2.4	0.001±0.003	0.005±0.004	—	—	—
	4-12-77	6.8±3.0	5.1±1.2	0.000±0.022	0.002±0.002	0.10±0.06	0.04±0.02	5.6±1.8
	11-22-77	12 ±4.0	15 ±3.2	0.000±0.002	0.006±0.003	0.30±0.22	0.16±0.20	5.1±1.8
	No. of Analysis	5	5	5	5	3	2	4
	Minimum	3.5	5.1	-0.002	0.002	0.10	0.04	0.7
	Maximum	12	15	0.004	0.006	0.33	0.16	5.6
	\bar{x}	7.2	8.7	0.001	0.005	0.24	0.10	3.8
	s	3.8	4.2	0.002	0.002	0.13	0.08	2.3

Note: ± values represent twice the error term for that analysis.