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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION TO HOLD PUBLIC HEARING IN COLORADO ON PROPOSED TRANSLOADING FACILITY

The Surface Transportation Board today announced a public hearing to be held in Conejos, Colo., on a proposal by the San Luis and & Rio Grande Railroad to transfer onto railcars containers of contaminated dirt and debris from trucks originating at Los Alamos National Laboratory in New Mexico.

The Board has instituted a declaratory order proceeding to determine whether the Board's jurisdiction preempts the land-use code of Conejos County, Colo., where the transloading would take place.

The public hearing is scheduled for Thursday, Feb. 17, 2011 at 10 a.m. at Our Lady of Guadalupe Parish Hall, 6631 County Road 13, Conejos, Colo. During the public hearing, Board staff will listen to comments regarding the issue. The hearing will continue until all interested parties have had an opportunity to speak. A transcript of the meeting will later be posted on the Board's website, www.stb.dot.gov.

The <u>decision</u> in Docket No. FD 35380 can be found at <u>www.stb.dot.gov</u>.