

Test run signals start of nuclear waste shipments to Nev.

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WASHINGTON – After 18 months of delay to address the worries of state officials, the Department of Energy said Monday night it will ship potent uranium waste from a federal laboratory in Tennessee for disposal in Nevada.

Officials did not give a time-line for when the shipments will begin from the Oak Ridge National Laboratory to the Area 5 landfill at the Nevada National Security Site, 65 miles northwest of Las Vegas.

It's unlikely the Department of Energy office that transports nuclear weapons and special nuclear material will make the shipping schedule public.

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