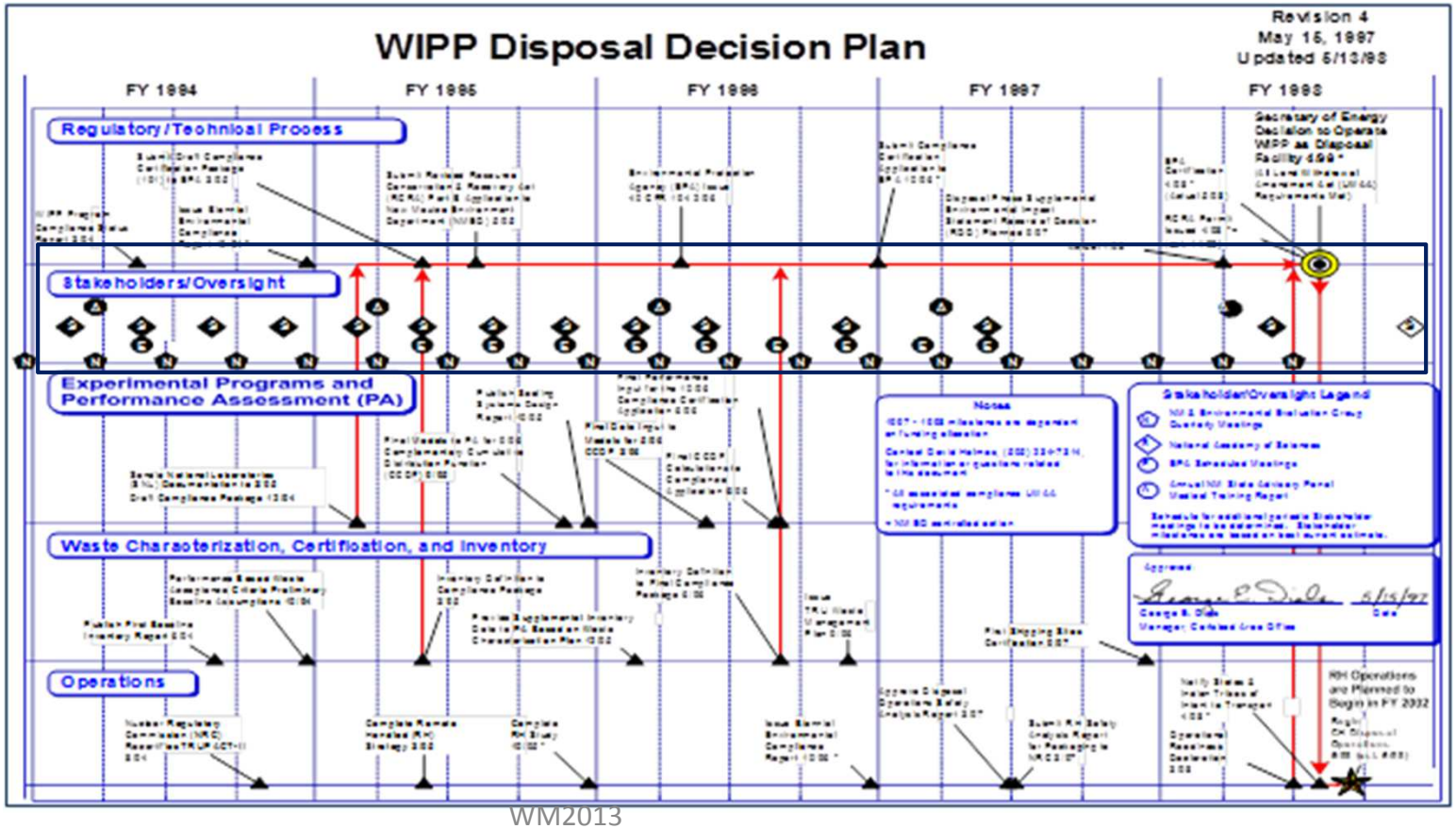
One key to the opening of WIPP

- ✓ Public meetings in which all **stakeholder groups** and all **interested parties** have the opportunity to learn about the status of the program and to interact in real time with the implementing organization, key participating scientists, and the regulator(s)

47 ***pre-scheduled public meetings*** were held during the 4 1/2 years preceding the first certification of the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant TRU-waste repository in May 1998