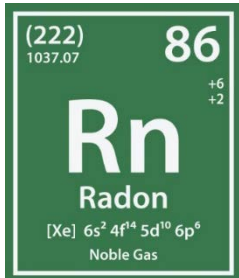




ENVIRONMENT NEWS



In the beginning of January 2020, Environmental Trainee Heaven Lucero set up radon sampling kits in all tribal buildings to assess levels. The Environment Department has been testing radon levels annually for the past 3 years. The Environment Department continues to work closely with the Radon Outreach Program at New Mexico Environment Department. Michael Taylor from NMED will be here on July 14, 2020 to present on radon at the Health Center's Health Support group meeting.

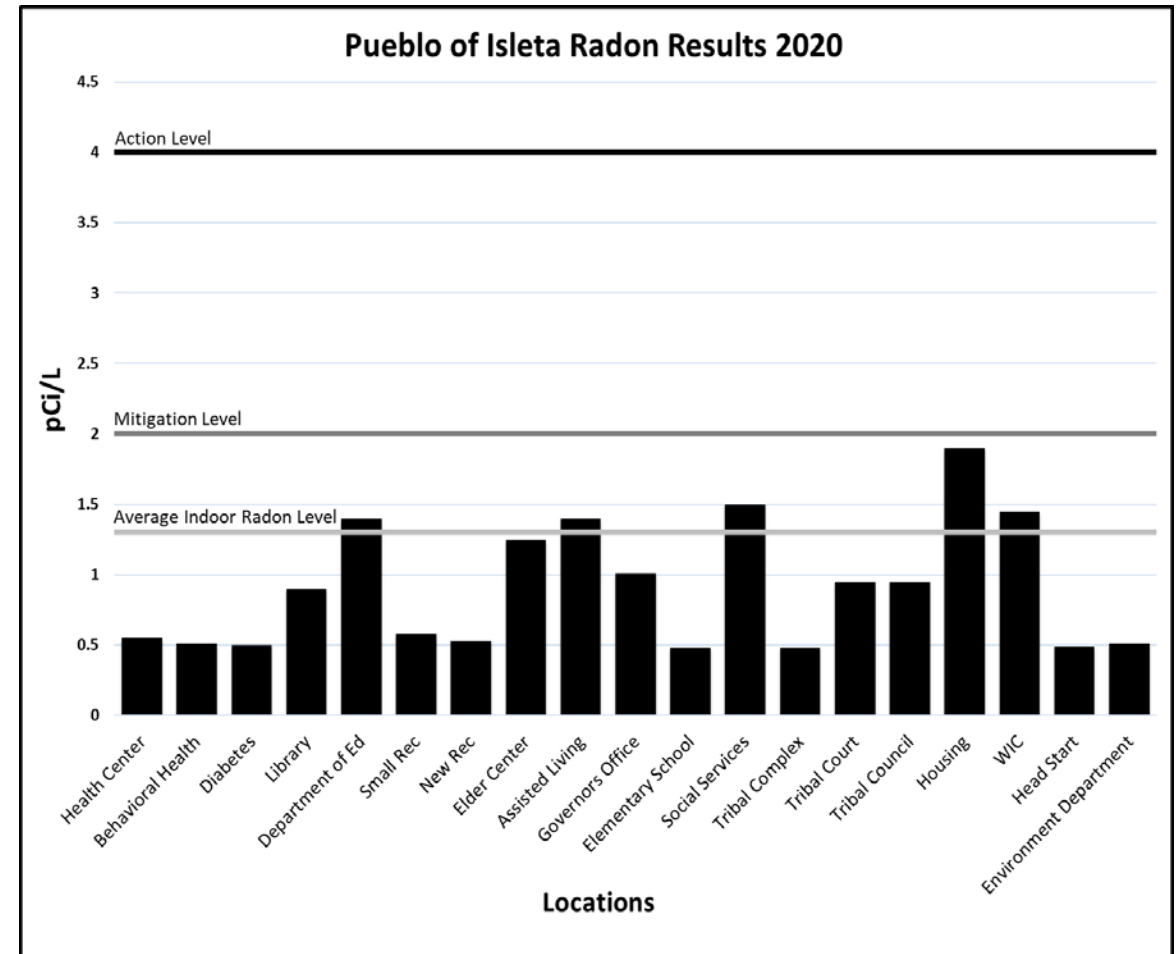
What is Radon?

Radon is an odorless and tasteless radioactive gas that comes from the natural breakdown of uranium in soil, rock, and water that gets into the air you breathe. Radon moves up through the ground in cracks and other holes within the foundation and is the 2nd leading cause of lung cancer.

The US Environmental Protection Agency recommends mitigation with radon levels higher than 2.0 pCi/L. For levels that surpass 4.0 pCi/L, the EPA recommends to take further action to lower the levels.

Environment set out a total of 59 radon sampling kits and we are glad to say that each test result came back with radon levels lower than EPA's recommended mitigation level of 2.0 pCi/L.

For more information, questions and concerns about radon feel free to contact the Environment Department 505-869-9819.





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On February 12, 2020 the Pueblo of Isleta Environment Department along with Isleta Elder Center, hosted Wanagi Wolf Fund and Rescue. Stephanie Kaylan and her staff shared an excellent presentation with our Elders and children from the Rec Program.

After their presentation, it was opened up for questions, and everyone got to pet the wolf. We were also honored to hear a story by Marcelino Lucero. The story was recognizing the wolf as a predator, and an animal that is powerful, but at the same time, a beautiful animal and how we all need to respect living together.

Lt. Governor Richard Jaramillo also recognized members of the Pueblo's Big Game Management Committee for their hard work on wildlife issues and for their many years of work in this field. Each member was presented with a plaque of appreciation.

Again, thank you to Wanagi Wolf Fund and Rescue for a great presentation. We hope to bring more of these types of presentations to our community.



Top Photo: Marcelino Lucero sharing his story about the wolf.



Far Left Photo: Members of the Big Game Management Committee speaking after receiving their plaques of appreciation.



Middle Photo: Stephanie Kaylan walking 'Angel', an arctic wolf.