

Technologically Enhanced Naturally Occurring Radioactive Material (TENORM) Disposal Limits In States Other Than North Dakota

State	Disposal Limit (picocuries per gram)	Radionuclide	Type of Limit
California	1800	total picocuries/gram	landfill permit
Colorado	2000	total picocuries/gram	landfill permit
Idaho	1500	Ra-226 and Ra-228	landfill permit
Illinois	200	Ra-226	state rule for drinking water treatment sludge
Louisiana	30	Ra-226	state rule
Michigan	50	Ra-226 and Ra-228	state rule
Minnesota	30	Ra-226	state rule for drinking water treatment sludge
Mississippi	30	Ra-226 and Ra-228	state rule
Montana	30	Ra-226 and Ra-228	state policy
New Mexico	30	Ra-226 or Ra-228	state rule - landspreading
Texas	30	Ra-226 or Ra-228	state rule - landspreading
Utah	10000	Ra-226 and Ra-228	landfill permit
Washington	10000	Ra-226 and Ra-228	landfill permit
Wyoming	50	Ra-226 and Ra-228	state policy

Other states have a limit of 5 picocuries per gram, or a wide variety of rules and policies regarding disposal of TENORM, or no rules at all. TENORM is not consistently defined or regulated. If regulated, it is usually through the state health department, the state environmental department, or the state oil and gas department, or a combination of multiple agencies. In some states there are different rules and limits for oil and gas TENORM and that generated from other sources.