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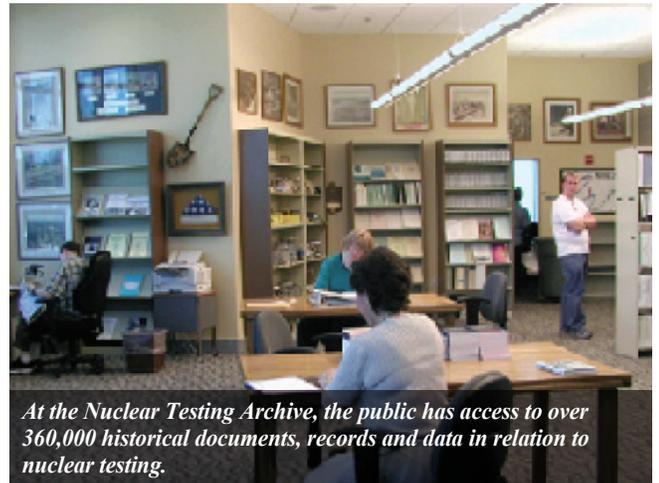
The Nuclear Testing Archive

Introduction

Records and information about the U.S. Department of Energy's (DOE) nuclear testing program can be found at the Nuclear Testing Archive (NTA). The NTA collects and consolidates historical documents, records, and data for long-term preservation.

The facility, located on East Flamingo Road, houses more than 400,000 documents in a 9,000-square-foot space equipped with special features for preserving the documents.

Through the NTA's Public Reading Facility, the public can access more than 360,000 documents involving the U.S. nuclear testing program and more than 40,000 documents relating to human radiation experiments by the Atomic Energy Commission and Department of Defense. Visitors can view historic nuclear testing films and have high-speed internet access to the Department of Energy's OpenNet. OpenNet is the DOE's bibliographic database containing declassified and publicly available documents. It is an automated, searchable database that enables the interested stakeholder to identify documents of interest, determine their location within the DOE complex and obtain ordering information.



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Background

The Freedom of Information Act (FOIA), enacted in 1966, allows individuals or organizations access to government records. Its main purpose is to "ensure an informed citizenry, vital to the functioning of a democratic society, needed to check against corruption and to hold the governors accountable to the governed." Since 1966, millions of FOIA requests have been filled in an effort to keep the public informed.

The DOE's National Nuclear Security Administration/Nevada Field Office established the Coordination and

Information Center – now referred to as the Nuclear Testing Archive – on July 17, 1981 to collect and make available all historical documents, records and data dealing with radioactive fallout from all U.S. testing of nuclear devices. The NTA's vast collections include:

- Documentation on the detection and measurement of radioactive fallout and related factors resulting from nuclear testing activities at the Nevada National Security Site (NNSS) (formerly the Nevada Test Site), TRINITY test, Pacific Proving Grounds and other U.S. continental test locations
- Information on the health effects of radiation
- Various scientific and technical studies and reports
- Bibliographic information through OpenNet, <https://www.osti.gov/opennet/>

Location

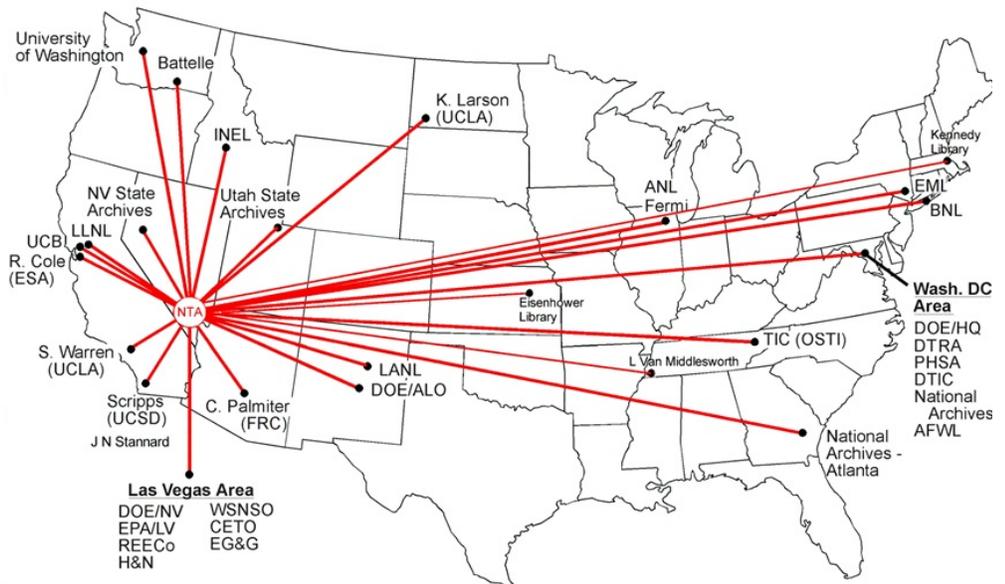
The Nuclear Testing Archive is located at 755 East Flamingo Road, Las Vegas, Nevada. The facility is open to visitors Monday through Friday from 9:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

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The major locations of document contributions to the NTA.



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