

## Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD

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**From:** Tucker, Shelly <stucker@blm.gov>  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 22, 2018 6:35 AM  
**To:** Weaver, Crystal, EMNRD  
**Cc:** Aaron Pachlhofer; Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD  
**Subject:** Re: Fasken El Paso Federal No. 12 and Gossett 20 spills

BLM concurs with NMOCD's approval for closure for the El Paso Federal 12 \*\* 2RP-4155.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

*Shelly J Tucker*

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On Thu, Jan 11, 2018 at 4:21 PM, Weaver, Crystal, EMNRD <[Crystal.Weaver@state.nm.us](mailto:Crystal.Weaver@state.nm.us)> wrote:

Aaron,

Could you please help Shelly out with this request. On our end it would be sifting thru quite a bit of emails and folders to see if we for sure got her the full sequence of data on this project or not.

Thanks,

## Crystal Weaver

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**From:** Tucker, Shelly [mailto:[stucker@blm.gov](mailto:stucker@blm.gov)]

**Sent:** Tuesday, December 19, 2017 6:25 PM

**To:** Aaron Pachlhofer <[aaronp@forl.com](mailto:aaronp@forl.com)>

**Cc:** Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD <[mike.bratcher@state.nm.us](mailto:mike.bratcher@state.nm.us)>; Weaver, Crystal, EMNRD <[Crystal.Weaver@state.nm.us](mailto:Crystal.Weaver@state.nm.us)>

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I have been receiving any information on labs or what work was completed on the El Paso Fed 12. Would someone please forward me the labs and docs for my records so I can close this release out? Thanks!

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On Wed, Oct 18, 2017 at 11:04 AM, Aaron Pachlhofer <[aaronp@forl.com](mailto:aaronp@forl.com)> wrote:

Thanks Mike. I will inform our operations staff that they can re-sue the soil on site only, pending BLM approval.



Aaron Pachlhofer, P.G.

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**From:** Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD [mailto:[mike.bratcher@state.nm.us](mailto:mike.bratcher@state.nm.us)]

**Sent:** Wednesday, October 18, 2017 11:44 AM

**To:** Aaron Pachlhofer <[aaronp@forl.com](mailto:aaronp@forl.com)>; Weaver, Crystal, EMNRD <[Crystal.Weaver@state.nm.us](mailto:Crystal.Weaver@state.nm.us)>; Tucker, Shelly <[stucker@blm.gov](mailto:stucker@blm.gov)>

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RE: Fasken Oil & Ranch \* El Paso Fed 12 \* 2RP-4155 \* DOR: 3/25/17

Aaron,

Your request for closure of the above referenced release is approved. Federal sites will require like approval from BLM. Re-use of the impacted material will be limited to the well site only. Any other intended use will require a proposal to OCD and the surface owner, with specific details on where and how the material would be utilized.

Thank you,

Mike Bratcher

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**From:** Aaron Pachlhofer [<mailto:aaronp@forl.com>]

**Sent:** Monday, October 2, 2017 10:26 AM

**To:** Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD <[mike.bratcher@state.nm.us](mailto:mike.bratcher@state.nm.us)>; Weaver, Crystal, EMNRD <[Crystal.Weaver@state.nm.us](mailto:Crystal.Weaver@state.nm.us)>

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Mike,

Doc Oberding and I had discussed the soil stockpiles remaining at both of these tank batteries, since the concentrations in the excavations were below limits. Two samples from each stockpile were collected. The lab reports for each are attached. I have also attached the original closure requests that I sent to Crystal.

I would like to return the pea gravel to the inside of the firewall at the Gossett.

I would like to allow our operations personnel to re-use the stockpile at the El Paso Federal No .12 at their discretion.

Please call or email with any questions,



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