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Subject: Remediation Denied - Chevron - Salado Draw 24 CTB Line - (1RP-5695) 8-27-2019 **Attachments:** Remediation Denied - Chevron - Salado Draw 24 CTB Line - (1RP-5695) 1.22.20.pdf

Amy,

We have received your Workplan/Remediation Proposal for <u>1RP-5695</u> Salado Draw 24 CTB Line, thank you. This Workplan/Remediation proposal is denied.

• The Depth to groundwater has not been correctly assessed. The closest well is 2.84 miles from the site. There are no wells within a 1/2 radius of the well location over 100' depth to groundwater. If you feel the depth to groundwater is >100', a shallow borehole can be drilled to 105' allowing for verification of the depth. If water is not visible after reaching bottom-hole and waiting 72 hours, the OCD will accept this as evidence. We would just need a copy of the driller's log.

Please let me know if you have any further questions.

Regards,

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