

## Venegas, Victoria, EMNRD

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**Sent:** Monday, February 24, 2020 9:46 AM  
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**Cc:** Hamlet, Robert, EMNRD; Eads, Cristina, EMNRD; Venegas, Victoria, EMNRD; Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD  
**Subject:** [EXT] Re: White Federal Com #001H 2RP-5470

Good morning,

BLM agree with OCD that chloride concentration at sample point SW-E1D-1.5 is over the 600 mg/kg limit.

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**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] White Federal Com #001H 2RP-5470

### White Federal Com #001H 2RP-5470

Mr. Tavarez,

OCD has received your closure request for White Federal Com #001H 2RP-5470, thank you. Unfortunately, this closure is denied for the following reason:

- There is contamination still in place. Chloride concentration at sample point SW-E1D-1.5 is over the limit of 600 mg/kg. OCD would recommend more remediation efforts in this area.
- Please, include photos of the additional remediation/excavation activities in the report.

Regards,

*Victoria Venegas*

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OCD approval does not relieve the operator of liability should their operations fail to adequately investigate and remediate contamination that may pose a threat to groundwater, surface water, human health or the environment. In addition, OCD approval does not relieve the operator of responsibility for compliance with any other federal, state, or local laws and/or regulations.