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Belton,

I have received the cleanup plan for the referenced spill. I have not received the spill report. Please send in a spill report as per NTL 3-A within 3 days of this notice.

I will approve the cleanup plan with these conditions of approval.

- 1. A copy of the cleanup plan and conditions of approval must be given to the contractor or site work personnel and be present on the location during all cleanup operations.
- 2. The authorized officer must be notified at the following phases of cleanup or conditions:
  - a. Prior to moving equipment on location for cleanup
  - b. When the excavation is nearing completion and a BLM inspection of the excavation or witnessing of sampling is required by the cleanup plan COA's.
  - c. When the cleanup work is nearing completion and to schedule a final onsite prior to removal of equipment.
  - d. Three days before the site is seeded.
  - e. Any time that a variance of the approved plan or conditions of approval is required.
  - f. In the event that you encounter excavation difficulties, unexpected void areas, or archaeological artifacts the Authorized Officer must be contacted immediately. An onsite may be required to assess the situation.

## Plan Implementation:

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- 1. The BLM requires horizontal cleanup of the spill impacted areas in addition to vertical cleanup/mitigation measures.
- 2. The BLM may wish to inspect the excavation once it reaches cleanup depth/width. Confirmation samples of excavation bottoms, sidewalls and any visibly affected areas outside of the excavation trench will be required; the BLM may witness the sampling. Contact the authorized officer to schedule.
- 3. Lab analysis of the confirmation sampling must be forwarded to the authorized officer for final approval before backfilling. Based on the sampling results, additional cleanup may be required or the site may be approved for closure.
- 4. Once final approval of cleanup is given, the excavation can be backfilled with clean soil to the level of the original native contour plus enough loft to accommodate the settling and compaction of unconsolidated fill soils.
- 5. The top \_2\_ feet of the backfill material must be topsoil similar to that in the surrounding native terrain.
- 6. If pastures are not contaminated but are impacted by cleanup operations, the impacts to the pasture areas will mitigated by re contouring the impacted areas and restoring the surface as listed in items 7 through 9 of this section.
- 7. Install erosion control measures in the pasture-affected areas to prevent the unconsolidated reclamation materials from washing or blowing away until reclaimed areas settle and begin to re vegetate.
- 8. Rip and seed reclaimed and equipment-impacted pasture areas with BLM seed mix #2 and #4, 50/50 or the BLM LPC

mix.

- 9. Barricade entrance to reclaimed pasture areas with fencing or an earthen barrier sufficient to prevent vehicular access.
- 10. Continue to monitor spill reclamation area to ensure impacted pasture areas re vegetate and that erosion issues do not develop.

Thanks

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