

19.15.17.13 NMAC

CLOSURE REQUIREMENTS

FAQ 38.

19.15.17.13 F (1)(f) NMAC

Under general

requirements for closure, the operator is required to file a deed notice identifying the exact location of the on-site burial with the county clerk in the county where the on-site burial occurs. What specific document identifying the exact location should be filed? Under which records at the county clerk should this be filed, i.e., conveyance records?

A: The county clerk should be consulted on the specifics on how to file a notice in deed. The operator should provide a copy of the filed documented that has been stamped by the county clerk in order to demonstrate compliance.

FAQ 39.

19.15.17.13 F (2) NMAC Under the closure requirements for

in-place burial, the rules states that the operator must cover the

geomembrane with compacted, non-waste containing earthen material and that a geomembrane cap is not required. Is this correct?

A: Yes, geomembrane caps are not required for in-place burials.

FAQ 40.

19.15.17.13 F (3) NMAC How many on-site disposal

trenches are allowed at a single well site?

A: Part 17 specifies one trench per drying pad or temporary pit. An operator could request an exception for more than one trench or one for closure of more than one drying pad or temporary pit from the same well site with proper justification.

Operators cannot bury pit contents from another well in an off-site trench burial. 21