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Good afternoon Mr. Broom,

The OCD has received your closure report for WBDU CTB 1RP-5392, thank you. This closure report is denied for the following reason:

Depth to ground water has not been adequately identified. The nearest well referenced in the closure report is over ½ mile away from the release site. As the analytical data meets Closure Criteria for Soils Impacted by a Release for ground water at 51-100 feet bgs, Apache will need to drill a borehole on site to 55′ bgs and leave it open for at least 72 hours. If there is no evidence of ground water after 72 hours, the OCD will accept the evidence in the closure report with a copy of the driller's log. If Apache chooses not to drill a borehole to confirm depth to groundwater, the impacted area will need to be remediated to meet closure criteria for water at a depth of <50′.

For further clarifications regarding the implementation of the spill rule, visit the OCD website: http://www.emnrd.state.nm.us/OCD/documents/OCDInternalPolicy-SpillRuleClarifications.pdf

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Regards,

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