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April 11, 2018

To: State of New Mexico  
Energy Minerals and Natural Resources Department  
Oil Conservation Division  
1220 South St. Francis Dr.  
Santa Fe, NM 87505  
Attention: Mr. Bradford Billings

**RE: CEDAR CANYON RECYCLE WATER POSEIDON TANK REMOVAL  
SCHEDULE; U/L K, SECTION 15, TOWNSHIP 24S, RANGE 29E, EDDY COUNTY,  
NEW MEXICO**

NMOCD has determined that there are eight (8) 60,000 bbl. Poseidon tanks that need to be removed and closed at Oxy's Cedar Canyon facility.

Per NMOCD's request and in accordance with 19.15.34.14 NMAC, Oxy has agreed to the following work schedule:

- 1) Two (2) tanks removed and closed from the north storage area by the end of 2018.
- 2) Two (2) tanks removed and closed from the south storage area by the end of 2018.
- 3) Two (2) remaining tanks from the north storage area emptied by June 30, 2019, and removed and closed by the end of 2019.
- 4) Two (2) remaining tanks from the south storage area emptied by June 30, 2019, and removed and closed by the end of 2019.

Oxy submitted a C-147 form to NMOCD for two (2) containments located outside the floodplain. Pursuant to this submission, Oxy will begin operations on Sunday, April 15, 2018.

Should you have questions or need additional information, please give me a call at (713)513-6683 or e-mail me at [Jeffrey\\_vanhorne@Oxy.com](mailto:Jeffrey_vanhorne@Oxy.com).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jeffrey K. Van Horne". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Jeffrey K. Van Horne  
Environmental Lead  
Oxy USA Inc.

## Venegas, Victoria, EMNRD

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**From:** Raley, Jacob J <Jacob\_Raley@oxy.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, March 14, 2022 9:30 AM  
**To:** Venegas, Victoria, EMNRD; Recker, Chantill  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] RE: 2RF-144  
**Attachments:** Poseidon Tank Removal Schedule\_NMOCD.pdf; Oxy - C-147 Registration Package - Cedar Canyon (Part 1B).pdf; Oxy - C-147 Registration Package - Cedar Canyon (Part 1A).pdf; FW: RF for Cedar Canyon - 2RF-144

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Victoria,

Both of those sites are operated by Oxy. We identified a letter dated 4/11/2018 that indicates the AST's would be removed at both of those locations as they were in the floodplain and replaced with two containments outside the floodplain. I am attaching the letter for reference, the C-147 Part 1A and Part 1B applications indicating a modification and the response we received from Bradford Billings upon submitting them. The top image in your email below is the Cedar Canyon recycling facility 2RF-144 and the bottom image was a water treatment facility. The earthen pits in question are fresh water storage and not used for produced/recycled water storage. The only lined earthen pits used for recycled water storage are the pits described in C-147 Part 1A and Part 1B which can be seen in the image below.



Let me know if you need additional information.

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**Jacob Raley, CSHO**

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**From:** Venegas, Victoria, EMNRD <Victoria.Venegas@state.nm.us>  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 10, 2022 10:35 AM  
**To:** Raley, Jacob J <Jacob\_Raley@oxy.com>; Recker, Chantill <Chantill\_Recker@oxy.com>  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] 2RF-144

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Good morning Mr. Raley,

The application submitted by OXY on August 10, 2017 for 2RF-144 doesn't mention an earthen impoundment at the location shown in the image below. Form C-147 only mentions ASTs at that location. Did OXY get an additional permit for the inground containment? Please clarify.



Also, can you please explain if the ASTs/pit shown in the image below (Lat/Long 32.20475 -103.97400) belong to OXY and if so, do you have a permit for this facility?





Thank you for your cooperation.

Regards,

**Victoria Venegas** • Environmental Specialist

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CONDITIONS

Action 380910

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Operator: OXY USA INC P.O. Box 4294 Houston, TX 772104294	OGRID: 16696
	Action Number: 380910
	Action Type: [C-147] Water Recycle Long (C-147L)

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