

## Venegas, Victoria, EMNRD

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**Sent:** Wednesday, June 26, 2019 3:15 PM  
**To:** Ashley Ager; Hamlet, Robert, EMNRD  
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**Subject:** [EXT] RE: Deferral Request - Big Eddy Unit 039 (2RP-5294)

Good afternoon Robert,

This email serves as an update for remediation activities at the Big Eddy Unit 039 (2RP-5294). XTO has confirmed presence of shallow groundwater through drilling and will be removing the tank so that the residual impacted soil underneath it can be excavated. XTO will proceed with excavation and submit a closure report for the site by October 25, 2019.

Thank you,

Tacoma Morrissey  
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**Subject:** RE: Deferral Request - Big Eddy Unit 039 (2RP-5294)

Great. Thank you for the information.

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Yes, usually we request 72 hours just in case it is low permeability rock.

Sounds Good,

Thanks

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Thank you for the quick response. Is NMOCD willing to accept that depth to groundwater is greater than 50 feet deep if XTO drills a borehole on site to 60 feet and leaves the borehole open for 24 hours to see if water fills in? If there is no evidence of water as investigated with a water level meter, XTO will backfill the borehole with grout? We actually have a drill rig in the area this week and I may be able to squeeze in an extra borehole at this site.

Thanks,  
Ashley

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Ashley,

With the depth to groundwater being so shallow and the High Karst, the risk to groundwater certainly exists. One option would be to drill a borehole and discover what the depth to Groundwater actually is. If it's less than 50 feet, we would need you to move the lone tank and remediate the contamination left behind at SW03. If it's over 50 feet we would be willing to approve the deferral.

Please keep us informed,

Thank you

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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.

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Apologies. Please see the attached report and C141.

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On behalf of XTO, attached is a deferral request for the Deferral Request - Big Eddy Unit 039 (2RP-5294) for your review.

Thank You,  
Ashley



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