

**From:** Patterson, Heather, EMNRD  
**To:** ["Kimberly M. Wilson"](#)  
**Cc:** [Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD](#); [Christopher\\_Jones@oxy.com](#); [David Adkins](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Oxy-Martha Creek CTB (30-015-10323) 2RP-2653  
**Date:** Thursday, January 15, 2015 2:18:00 PM  
**Attachments:** image001.png

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Kimberly,

This work plan is approved with the following exceptions:

- Exact excavation depths cannot be approved without a full delineation;
- Chlorides are to be further delineated, with a target goal of 250 mg/kg;
- All confirmation samples are to be lab verified for TPH and Chlorides;
- Field PID readings will be accepted for BTEX values only;
- OCD must review and approve confirmation samples before excavation is backfilled.

The OCD would also like to inquire about an earlier spill at the same location. A 60bbl release within the walls of the battery was reported, but to my knowledge we have not received a work plan (DOR: 4/8/2014, 2RP-2272).

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If you have any questions or concerns, and for notification, please contact me.

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**From:** Kimberly M. Wilson [mailto:[kwilson@talonlpe.com](mailto:kwilson@talonlpe.com)]  
**Sent:** Thursday, January 15, 2015 10:48 AM  
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**Subject:** RE: Oxy-Martha Creek CTB (30-015-10323) 2RP-2653

Hello Heather,

Please find attached the amended work plan for the above location. I changed the site ranking and the proposed remedial actions.

Please let me know if you have further questions or concerns.

Respectfully submitted,

***Kimberly M. Wilson***

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**From:** Patterson, Heather, EMNRD [<mailto:Heather.Patterson@state.nm.us>]  
**Sent:** Monday, January 12, 2015 1:06 PM  
**To:** Kimberly M. Wilson  
**Subject:** FW: Oxy-Martha Creek CTB (30-015-10323) 2RP-2653

Kimberly,

I saw that you resubmitted this last week. This is the response I sent out to Sheldon while you were out of the office.

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**From:** Patterson, Heather, EMNRD  
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**Cc:** Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD; Kimberly M. Wilson  
**Subject:** RE: Oxy-Martha Creek CTB (30-015-10323) 2RP-2653

Sheldon,

There seems to be conflicting data on the depth to groundwater in this area. The OCD has reason to believe groundwater will be encountered at a shallower depth, almost certainly less than 100 feet (see attached). Please review and adjust your site ranking accordingly. Further delineation will be required before excavation depths can be approved.

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**From:** Sheldon Hitchcock [<mailto:slhitchcock@talonlpe.com>]  
**Sent:** Monday, December 29, 2014 10:47 AM  
**To:** Patterson, Heather, EMNRD  
**Cc:** Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD; Kimberly M. Wilson  
**Subject:** Oxy-Martha Creek CTB (30-015-10323) 2RP-2653

Heather,

I hope you had a good Christmas. The work plan for the Martha Creek CTB is attached. Please review it and let me know if you have any questions or concerns. Thank you.

Respectfully,

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