

**From:** Patterson, Heather, EMNRD  
**To:** ["Chase Settle"; Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD](#)  
**Cc:** [Bob Asher](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Sara AHA #1 Battery Work Plan  
**Date:** Thursday, October 09, 2014 10:12:00 AM

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Chase,

It will be fine to go without a liner in this case.

Heather Patterson  
Environmental Specialist  
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**From:** Chase Settle [<mailto:CSettle@yatespetroleum.com>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 02, 2014 10:30 AM  
**To:** Patterson, Heather, EMNRD; Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD  
**Cc:** Bob Asher  
**Subject:** RE: Sara AHA #1 Battery Work Plan

Mrs. Patterson,

When I sat down and visited with Mike last Thursday (9-25-2014), prior to writing and submitting this work plan, he did not mention any use of a liner at the Sara AHA #1 Battery and stated that with such a minimal S2 area that 3 feet removed and backfilled with caliche would be sufficient. He asked that the S1 area be excavated 5 feet instead of the 3 feet I proposed and then stated that since the S2 area was minimal, 3 feet excavated and backfilled would work. I agreed to change the proposal for the S1 area to excavate 5 feet out instead of 3, so I am curious why a liner is now needed in the S2 area to get work plan approval when it was agreed upon last week that a liner was not needed?

Thanks,

Chase

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**From:** Patterson, Heather, EMNRD [<mailto:Heather.Patterson@state.nm.us>]  
**Sent:** Thursday, October 02, 2014 10:15 AM  
**To:** Chase Settle; Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD  
**Cc:** Bob Asher  
**Subject:** RE: Sara AHA #1 Battery Work Plan

RE: Sara AHA #1 Battery \* 30-015-23890 \* DOR: 06/16/2014 \* **2RP-2363**

Mr. Settle,

Your work plan for this site is approved with the following exception:

Because of elevated chlorides, the OCD would like to see a liner used in the area of S2.

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 ground water, 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, local laws and/or regulations.

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

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**From:** Chase Settle [<mailto:CSettle@yatespetroleum.com>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, September 30, 2014 7:54 AM  
**To:** Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD; Patterson, Heather, EMNRD  
**Cc:** Bob Asher  
**Subject:** Sara AHA #1 Battery Work Plan

September 30, 2014

Re: Sara AHA #1 Battery  
30-015-23890  
Section 11, T20S-R24E  
Eddy County, New Mexico

Mr. Bratcher,

Yates Petroleum Corporation is submitting the enclosed work plan for the above captioned well. The plan is being submitted in response to the C-141 report dated June 26, 2014.

**If there are no objections with the scope of work described in the plan, Yates will have a contractor begin work on or after the week of October 14, 2014.**

If you have any questions, feel free to call me at (575) 748-4171

Thank you.

YATES PETROLEUM CORPORATION

*Chase Settle*  
**Environmental Regulatory Agent**  
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