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From: Hamlet, Robert, EMNRD
Sent: Tuesday, June 25, 2019 2:55 PM
To: 'Andresen, Rebecca'
Cc: Venegas, Victoria, EMNRD; Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD; Michelson, Jason C
Subject: RE: South Culebra Bluff 14 Fed Well No. 1, Inspection iTM1734233520

Rebecca,

The reports that were sent to the OCD involving Inspection numbers and "Staining Around the Wellhead" should be fairly straightforward, since they do not qualify for a deferral. Some of these Deferral Requests from Chevron have multiple wells involved in the "Inspection Detail Section". Please make sure all wells are addressed with respect to the staining issues.

The OCD understands that you plan on plugging these wells in the near future. We can give you a 12 month extension if the wells will be plugged and addressed by then. Otherwise, please remove the stained soil and replace with clean soil. Take a picture after the stained soil has been replaced with clean soil. Send in a letter and picture for each well in the "Inspection Detail Section" explaining that the violation has been addressed and we will administrate the violation has been taken care.

Please let us know your decision.

Thank you,

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Subject: [EXT] South Culebra Bluff 14 Fed Well No. 1, Inspection iTM1734233520

Mr. Hamlet,

Please find attached a Site Deferral Request regarding inspection number iTM1734233520, conducted in 2017. This inspection identified a staining violation. Chevron acquired the lease for this well in October 2018 and is planning to plug and abandon this well. The attached letter requests approval to address the violation in conjunction with P&A activities at this well.

Please let us know if you have questions.

Best Regards,

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