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Subject: Apache Empire Abo #8 (2RP-2141) - Request to backfill the remainder of the excavations

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On August  $8^{th}$ , 2014 NMOCD approved backfilling of Excavation 1 and 4. BLM approved backfilling of Excavation 1 and 4 on August  $14^{th}$ , 2014.

The remainder of the site has been excavated. Excavation 2 was scraped down to 2 ft bgs. Excavation 3 was excavated to 4 ft bgs. Excavation 5 was scraped down to 1 ft bgs, and Excavation 6 was excavated to 4 ft bgs. Final wall samples from the scrapes and composite bottom samples from Excavations 2 and 5 were taken to a commercial laboratory for analysis. Based on the laboratory analysis, which fulfills the approved Corrective Action Plan, Apache requests permission to backfill the remainder of the excavations. Clean soil will be imported to the site to backfill the excavations. The excavations will be contoured to the surrounding location.

If you have any questions, please contact Bruce Baker from Apache.

Thanks!

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