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RE: Linn Operating * Lea D #23 * 30-015-29703 * 2RP-3095

The OCD is in receipt of a work plan for the above listed release. Again, we received this work plan from the BLM, not from Linn. According to the C-141 sent by Linn, this was a 6 gallon release. With 50 feet of contamination in your work plan, the OCD does not accept this as a 6 gallon release, and requests that Linn submit an amended C-141. In addition, the google Earth image from 2012 shows staining in this same area. Your proposal to excavate 4 feet and use a liner is approved. The OCD does not approve the use of impervious river rock. Because we are clearly dealing with multiple releases of unknown amounts, you will need to submit clean sidewall samples with your closure request. Like approval by BLM is required for this location.

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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