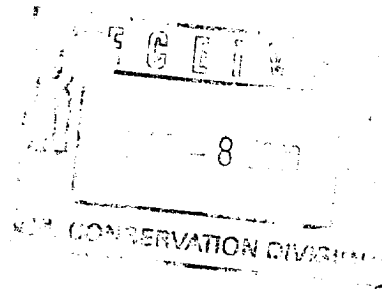


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ATTN: Martyne J. Kieling
2040 South Pacheco
Santa Fe, NM 87505

RE: Grace, Salty Bill Disposal

Dear Mrs. Kieling:

As per my letter dated 2-15-00, enclosed is the closure plan for the Salty Bill SWD facility. After receiving approval for closure, Grace will submit bids for the various closure activities. I am in hopes that the OCD will work with Grace and allow some time to perform closure. The expense for closing this facility will be quite large and may take some time to appropriate funds. Your consideration and time in this matter is greatly appreciated.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please call.

Sincerely,

Eddie W. Seay, Agent
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CLOSURE PLAN FOR SALTY BILL SWD

- 1) Shut down operations
 Notify truckers and operators of the closure.
- 2) Submit plug and abandon report for approval to OCD, C-103.
- 3) Clean out water and BS from storage tank and haul to an OCD approved facility.
- 4) Remove and sell tanks, pumps and associated equipment.
- 5) Plug and abandon well after OCD approval.
- 6) Excavate contaminated soils as per NOV and after equipment is removed, as per OCD rules.
 - a) pit area
 - b) below grade sump
 - c) tank area
 - d) off-loading area
- 7) File final closure report.