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From: Amos, James <jamos@blm.gov>
Sent: Monday, December 17, 2012 8:40 AM
To: Cliff P. Brunson
Cc: C J Summers; Ken Swinney; Jennifer Gilkey; Kathy Purvis
Subject: Re: Oxy Federal 12-1 South Battery

Everybody,

I'm good with Mike's assessment of the remediation plan and his conditions of approval. Keep me in the loop as far as notification of start and prior to closure. I'm like Mike, I need a copy of the initial spill report. I've one major concern. The date of the release, 11/2/11 was over a year ago and we've just not got a plan in place. As everyone knows we're dodging bullets as it relates to chickens and lizards. This site is just adjacent to one of the Habitat Evaluation Areas for the LPC. This next year will be critical to the listing or not. We will be having all kinds of environmental folks, in these areas, looking for the chance to find O&G not doing a good job. Just a thought. I would like to see these events ready to close in 3-4 months at the max. If any thoughts or questions, please get back to me.

Thanks,

J. Amos

On Sun, Dec 16, 2012 at 6:35 PM, Cliff P. Brunson <cbrunson@bbcinternational.com> wrote:
Jim,

I have attached a remediation packet of information for your review. This packet includes the approval from the NMOCD, a site diagram with sample points and remediation/excavations area depicted, a lab data summary table, and the original lab data.

Oxy proposes to the BLM to conduct the remediation plan approved by the NMOCD. In the areas covered by SP1 and SP2, the soil will be excavated to a depth of 3 feet or as practicable. In the area covered by SP2, the soil will be excavated to a depth of 6 feet or as practicable and in the area covered by SP4, the excavation will be 3 feet deep. In the area covered by SP5, the excavation will be 1 foot deep. An initial response was conducted at the time of the release and approximately 6 inches of soil was excavated to remove the highest concentration of impacted soil. After the excavation is completed, all areas will be backfilled with the appropriate material.

Oxy is therefore requesting the approval of the BLM to proceed with the submitted remediation plan. If you would please respond back via e-mail with your approval, it would be greatly appreciated. If you have any questions, please let us know.

Thank you,

Cliff

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