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**Subject:** RE: Path Forward for the Apache E.L. Federal #8  
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Lara,

You have OCD approval to move ahead on this site.

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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**From:** Lara Weinheimer [mailto:[lweinheimer@rice-ecs.com](mailto:lweinheimer@rice-ecs.com)]  
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Attached is the documentation for the activities already conducted at the site. Based on the laboratory sampling and the field data for the bottom of the excavation, a 20-mil reinforced poly liner will be installed and properly seated into the base of the excavation. Clean soil will be imported to the site and the excavation will be backfilled. The site will be contoured to the surrounding location and the disturbed area will be seeded with a blend of native vegetation.

Once these activities have been completed, a report will be submitted to NMOCD and BLM requesting 'remediation termination' and site closure.

If you have any questions, please let us know. Otherwise, we await your approval.

Thanks!

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