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Subject: RE: initial C-141: Murchison - War Horse #3H release
Date: Wednesday, July 08, 2015 9:26:00 AM

Kristin,

The initial C-141 for the Murchison War Horse #3H release has been accepted for record and assigned the OCD tracking number 2RP-3093.

Your proposal to dispose of excavated soils from this release into nearby temporary drilling pits is denied as per NMAC 19.15.17.12.B. (1) which states, "Only fluids or mineral solids generated or used during the drilling, completion or workover process may be discharged into a temporary pit."

In addition, NMAC 19.15.17.13 states several times that pit waste is to be stabilized with "soil or other non-waste material."

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: Kristin Pope [<mailto:kristin@rthicksconsult.com>]
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Heather,

On behalf of Murchison, please find the attached initial C-141 submission for the War Horse #3H release that occurred on June 19th. I will drop a paper copy in the mail.

Thanks and have a good holiday weekend.

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