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To: [Patterson, Heather, EMNRD](#)
Cc: [Bob Asher](#); [Katie Parker](#); [Chase Settle](#)
Subject: FW: Bryan ME #1 (2RP-3164)
Date: Thursday, June 23, 2016 8:57:36 AM

Heather,

The Bryan ME #1 has been excavated to 4' below the surface level. As requested by NMOCD, Yates Petroleum has also field tested the sidewalls for chlorides.

The chloride testing results were:

- East Sidewall – 564 ppm
- South Sidewall – Non-Detect
- West Sidewall – 3,792 ppm – we tested out an additional 1'-2' and found that these levels decreased to 180 ppm.
- North Sidewall – 5,708 ppm – we tested out an additional 3-4' and found that these levels decreased to 1,204 ppm.

These chloride levels are not a result of the release that occurred at this site, but rather from a drilling pit on the location. Based off of the closure standards under Pit Rule 17, Yates Petroleum requests permission to backfill the excavation. No further excavation work will be completed, but Yates will install the 20 mil liner and backfill the location as previously approved by NMOCD.

Thank you,
Amber Griffin

From: Patterson, Heather, EMNRD [<mailto:Heather.Patterson@state.nm.us>]
Sent: Wednesday, April 06, 2016 11:07 AM
To: Amber Griffin; Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD
Subject: RE: Bryan ME #1 (2RP-3164)

RE: Yates Petroleum * Bryan ME #1 * 30-015-23097 * 2RP-3164

Amber,

Thank you for the vertical delineation at this location. Your work plan is approved with a few exceptions. For liner protection, the OCD would like a four foot excavation. Also, as it appears you may have discovered some historic contamination, the OCD requests sidewall confirmation samples at time of closure. These samples should display chloride levels at 800 mg/kg or less, and may be done with field screens if Yates prefers.

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: Amber Griffin [<mailto:AGriffin@yatespetroleum.com>]

Sent: Monday, April 04, 2016 3:27 PM

To: Patterson, Heather, EMNRD; Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD

Subject: Bryan ME #1 (2RP-3164)

Heather/Mike,

Please find attached a work plan for the release that occurred at the Bryan ME #1 on July 11, 2015 (2RP-3164).

Should you have any questions or comments, please let me know.

Thank you,

Amber Griffin

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