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Larry,

We have received your variance request for <u>1RP-5677</u> North Monument GSA Unit #003, thank you. This variance request is conditionally approved.

Your proposal calls for installation of two monitoring wells, with well TMW-1 installed as close as possible to the source of the release and TMW-2 installed hydraulically down gradient approximately 150 feet southeast of the excavation to monitor groundwater quality. Additionally, the OCD would like Apache to drill a monitoring well up gradient to be used for collecting back-ground groundwater samples.

Please keep us informed on your progress.

Please let me know if you have any further questions.

Regards,

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