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Sent: Wednesday, May 6, 2020 3:13 PM
To: Baker, Adrian
Cc: Bratcher, Mike, EMNRD; Venegas, Victoria, EMNRD; Eads, Cristina, EMNRD; CFO_Spill, BLM_NM
Subject: Deferral Approval - XTO - James Ranch Unit DI2 CTB - (Incident #NAB1917835106) (2RP-5503)
Attachments: Deferral Approval - XTO - James Ranch Unit DI2 CTB.pdf

Adrian,

XTO's closure report for the above referenced release requests to backfill the excavations and complete remediation during any future major construction/alteration or final plugging and abandonment, whichever occurs first. LTE and XTO do not believe deferment will result in imminent risk to human health, the environment, or groundwater. The areas requested for deferral are identified on the site map as "SW02", "SW03", and "FS03 through FS09". The areas have been delineated and documented in the report. At this time, OCD approves this request. The C-141 will be accepted for record and marked accordingly. The release will remain open in OCD database files and reflect an open environmental issue. This is a Federal site and will require like approval from BLM.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,

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