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By OCD District 1 at 3:36 pm, Aug 04, 2015

Closure Report

**APPROVED**

By OCD District 1 at 3:36 pm, Aug 04, 2015

**Site Description**

Site Name:	Bass Federal #5 Battery
Company:	Chevron USA
Legal Description:	U/L N, Section 30, T20S, R33E
County:	Lea County, NM
GPS Coordinates:	N 32.53852° W 103.70440°

**Release Data**

Date of Release:	03/06/2015
Type of Release:	Produced water
Source of Release:	Illegal dumping by unknown party
Volume of Release:	11.15 bbls
Volume Recovered:	0 bbls

**Remediation Specifications**

Remediation Parameters:	Excavate the entire leak site to a depth of 1 foot. Backfill the site with clean soil.	
Remediation Activities:	05/26/2015 to 06/10/2015	
Plan Sent to OCD:	06/02/2015	Email from Cliff Brunson to Kellie Jones
OCD Approval of Plan:	06/05/2015	Email from Kellie Jones to Cliff Brunson
Plan Sent to BLM:	n/a	n/a
BLM Approval of Plan:	n/a	n/a

**Supporting Documentation**

Initial C-141	Signed 09/09/2015
Final C-141	Signed 06/25/2015
Site Diagram	April 2015
Groundwater Plot	50'-75'
TOPO Maps	April 2015
Lab Summary	04/27/2015
Lab Analysis	04/27/2015
Correspondence	Request and approval of remediation plan via email

**Request for Closure**

Based on the completion of the remediation plan as agreed upon, BBC International requests closure approval from NMOCD.

Cliff Brunson, President of BBC International Inc.

08/04/2015

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Form C-141  
Revised August 8, 2011

Submit 1 Copy to appropriate District Office in accordance with 19.15.29 NMAC.

**Release Notification and Corrective Action**

**OPERATOR**

Initial Report  Final Report

Name of Company	Chevron USA	Contact	Stephen Gwin
Address	1616 W. Bender Blvd, Hobbs, NM 88240	Telephone No.	575-408-0073
Facility Name	Bass Fed. #5 Battery	Facility Type	Tank Battery
Surface Owner	<del>BLM</del> <i>K&amp;P</i> <u>Kenny Smith Ranch Inc.</u>	Mineral Owner	
			API No. 3002534550

**LOCATION OF RELEASE**

Unit Letter	Section	Township	Range	Feet from the	North/South Line	Feet from the	East/West Line	County
N	30	20S	33E	660	South Line	2080	West	Lea

Latitude 32.53868178 Longitude -103.7043995

**NATURE OF RELEASE**

Type of Release	Produced Water	Volume of Release	~11.15bbls	Volume Recovered	0
Source of Release	Illegal Dumping by unknown party	Date and Hour of Occurrence		Date and Hour of Discovery	3/6/2015 - 1040AM
Was Immediate Notice Given?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not Required	If YES, To Whom?	Tomas Oberding		
By Whom?	Bryan Criswell	Date and Hour	3/6/2015 12:54PM		
Was a Watercourse Reached?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	If YES, Volume Impacting the Watercourse.			

If a Watercourse was Impacted, Describe Fully.\*

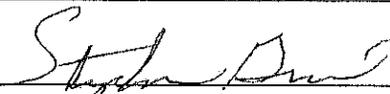
Describe Cause of Problem and Remedial Action Taken.\*

Chevron Field Specialist discovered fluid inside the Bass Fed #1 Tank Battery. The well had been down since 3/4/2015 so no fluids were transferred to the battery during that time. The tank volumes were checked and no loss had occurred from the tanks. All lines and connections were checked and all were in good condition. Two areas within the tank battery (one in front and one in the rear) showed signs that a discharge had occurred in these locations. Since no leaks had occurred from the production equipment the source appears to be from third party illegal dumping.

Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken.\*

A third party environmental remediation company has been contacted to evaluate.

I hereby certify that the information given above is true and complete to the best of my knowledge and understand that pursuant to NMOCD rules and regulations all operators are required to report and/or file certain release notifications and perform corrective actions for releases which may endanger public health or the environment. The acceptance of a C-141 report by the NMOCD marked as "Final Report" does not relieve the operator of liability should their operations have failed to adequately investigate and remediate contamination that pose a threat to ground water, surface water, human health or the environment. In addition, NMOCD acceptance of a C-141 report does not relieve the operator of responsibility for compliance with any other federal, state, or local laws and/or regulations.

Signature: 	<u>OIL CONSERVATION DIVISION</u>		
Printed Name: Stephen Gwin	Approved by Environmental Specialist:		
Title: HES Specialist	Approval Date:	Expiration Date:	
E-mail Address: Stephen.gwin@chevron.com	Conditions of Approval:		Attached <input type="checkbox"/>
Date: 3/9/2015	Phone: 575-408-0073		

\* Attach Additional Sheets If Necessary

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Name of Company	Chevron USA	Contact	Stephen Gwin
Address	1616 W. Bender Blvd, Hobbs, NM 88240	Telephone No.	575-408-0073
Facility Name	Bass Federal #5 Battery	Facility Type	Tank Battery
Surface Owner	Kenny Smith Ranch Inc.	Mineral Owner	
		API No.	30-025-34550

**LOCATION OF RELEASE**

Unit Letter	Section	Township	Range	Feet from the	North/South Line	Feet from the	East/West Line	County
N	30	20S	33E	660	South	2080	West	Lea County, NM

Latitude N 32.53852° Longitude W 103.70440°

**NATURE OF RELEASE**

Type of Release	Produced water	Volume of Release	~11.15 bbls	Volume Recovered	0 bbls
Source of Release	Illegal dumping by unknown party	Date and Hour of Occurrence		Date and Hour of Discovery	03/06/2015 @ 10:40am
Was Immediate Notice Given?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Not Required	If YES, To Whom?	Tomas Oberding, NMOCD		
By Whom?	Bryan Criswell	Date and Hour	03/06/2015 @ 12:54pm		
Was a Watercourse Reached?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	If YES, Volume Impacting the Watercourse.			

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Describe Area Affected and Cleanup Action Taken.\*

The area affected was approximately 75' x 20' located inside the firewall of the battery. Remediation was completed in accordance with the remediation plan approved by Kellie Jones of NMOCD via email on 06/05/2015.

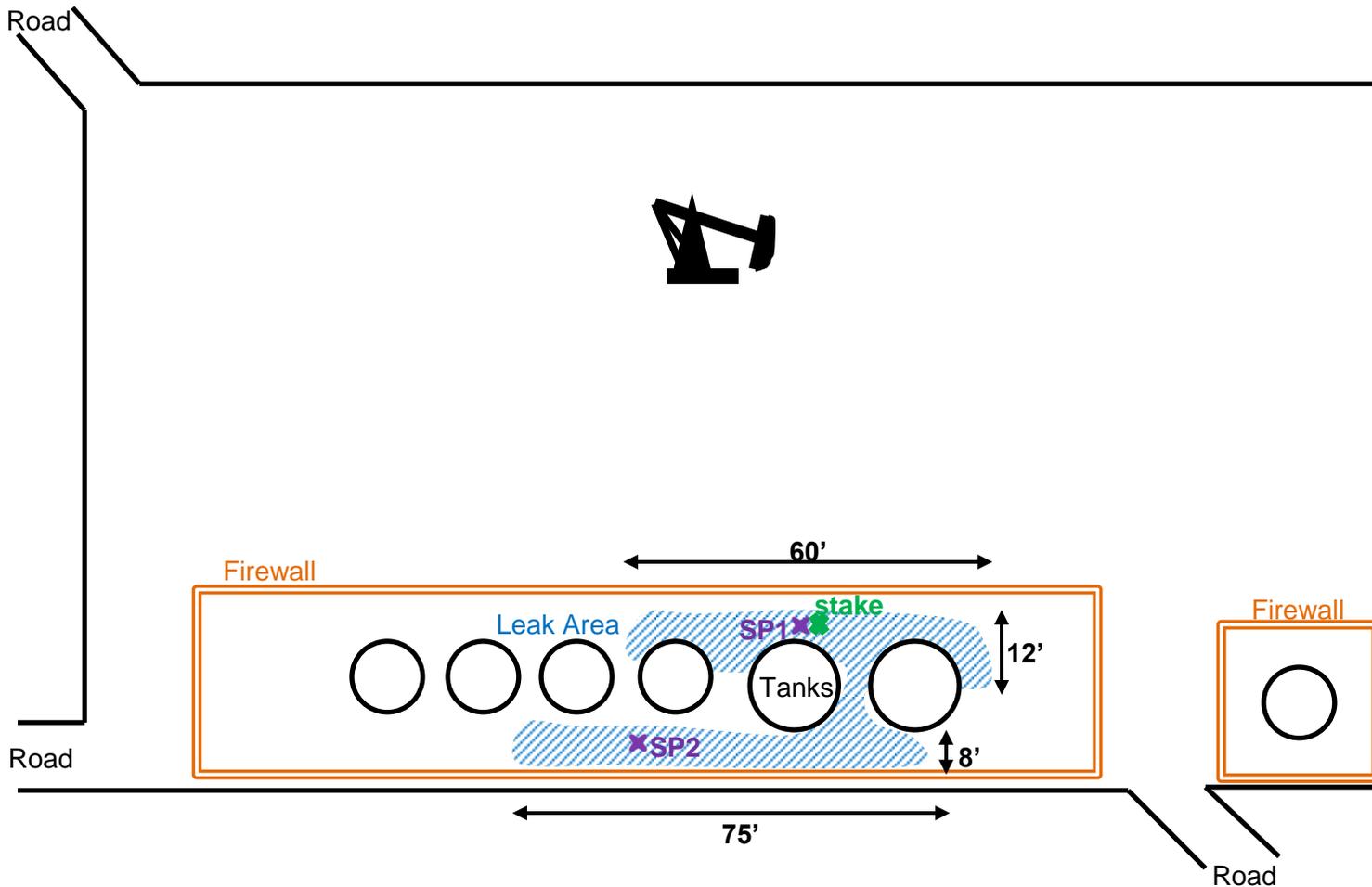
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Printed Name: Stephen Gwin	Approved by Environmental Specialist:		
Title: HES Specialist	Approval Date:	Expiration Date:	
E-mail Address: Stephen.gwin@chevron.com	Conditions of Approval:		Attached <input type="checkbox"/>
Date: <u>6/25/2015</u> Phone: 575-408-0073			

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# Chevron

## Bass Federal #5 Battery



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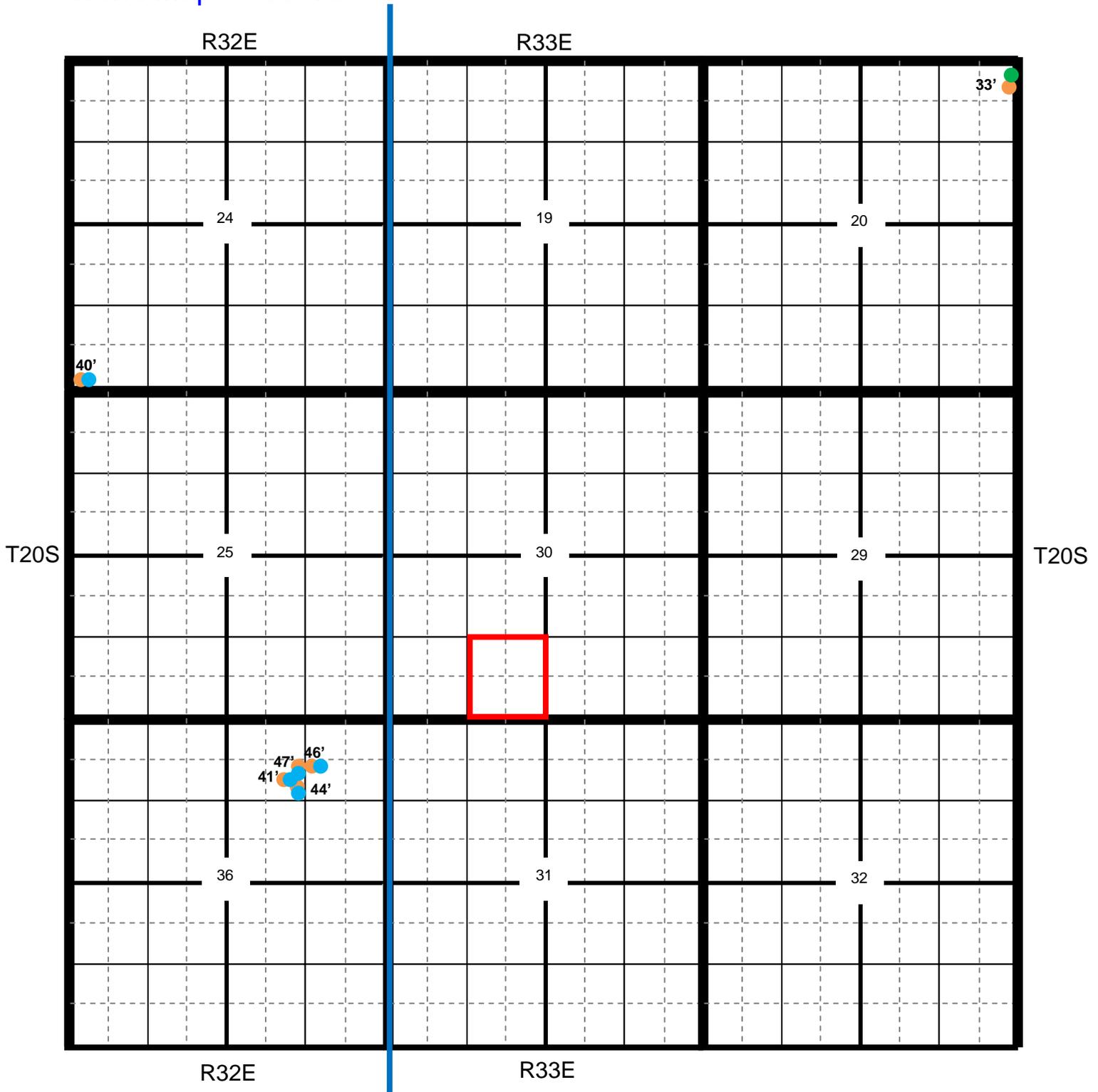
<b>BBC International, Inc.</b>	
<b>Chevron</b>	
<b>Bass Federal #5 Battery</b>	
Date: 04/30/2015	DRWG by: K. Purvis
NOT TO SCALE	File: Chevron 2015

# Groundwater Plot

## Chevron Bass Federal #5 Battery

County: Lea      Unit Letter: N      Section: 30      Township: 20S      Range: 33E

Trend Map 50'-75'



## Chevron Bass Federal #5 Battery

<b>County</b>	<b>Unit Letter</b>	<b>Section</b>	<b>Township</b>	<b>Range</b>
Lea	N	30	20S	33E

Trend Map 50'-75'

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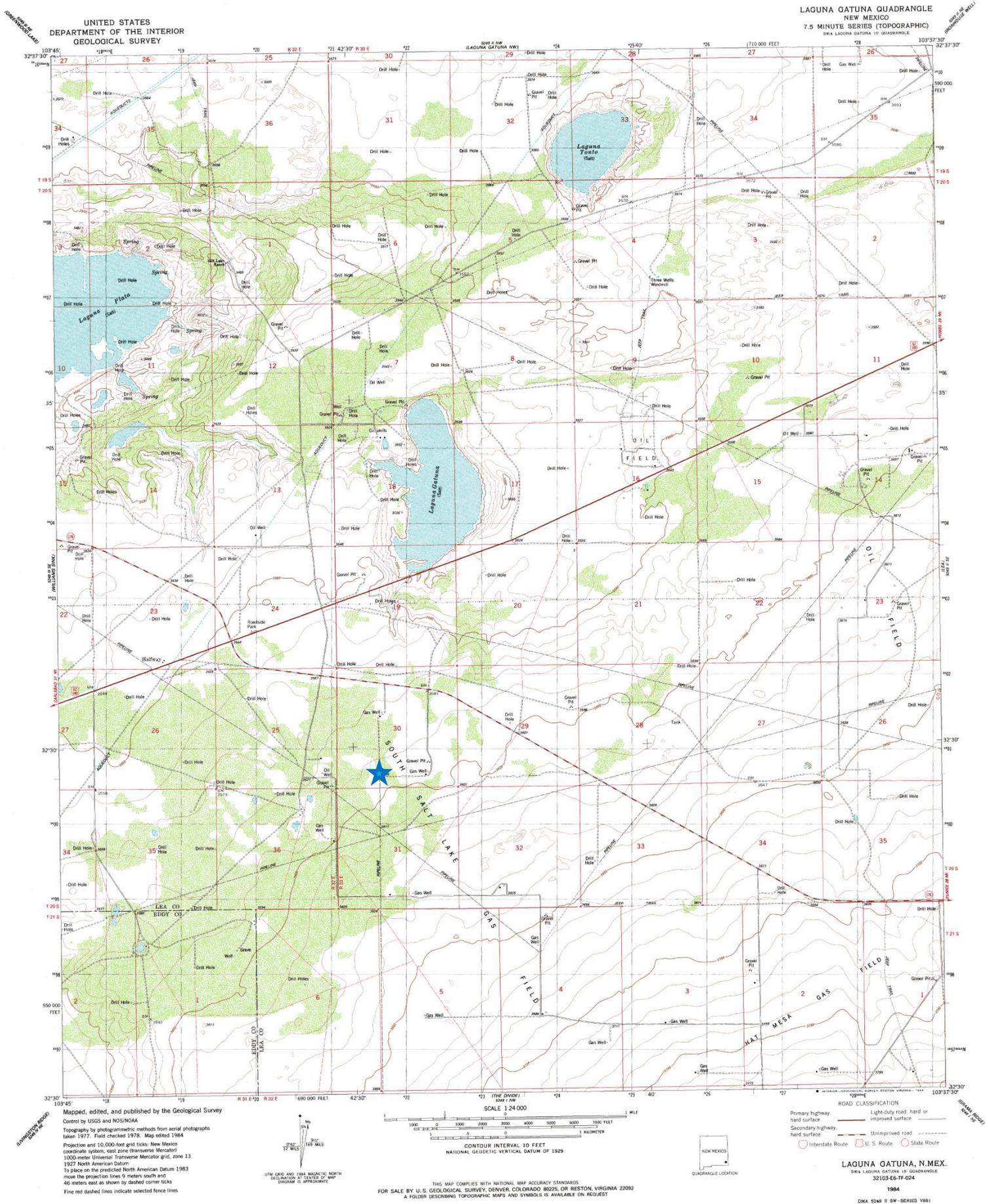
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Unit Letter E	Unit Letter F	Unit Letter G	Unit Letter H
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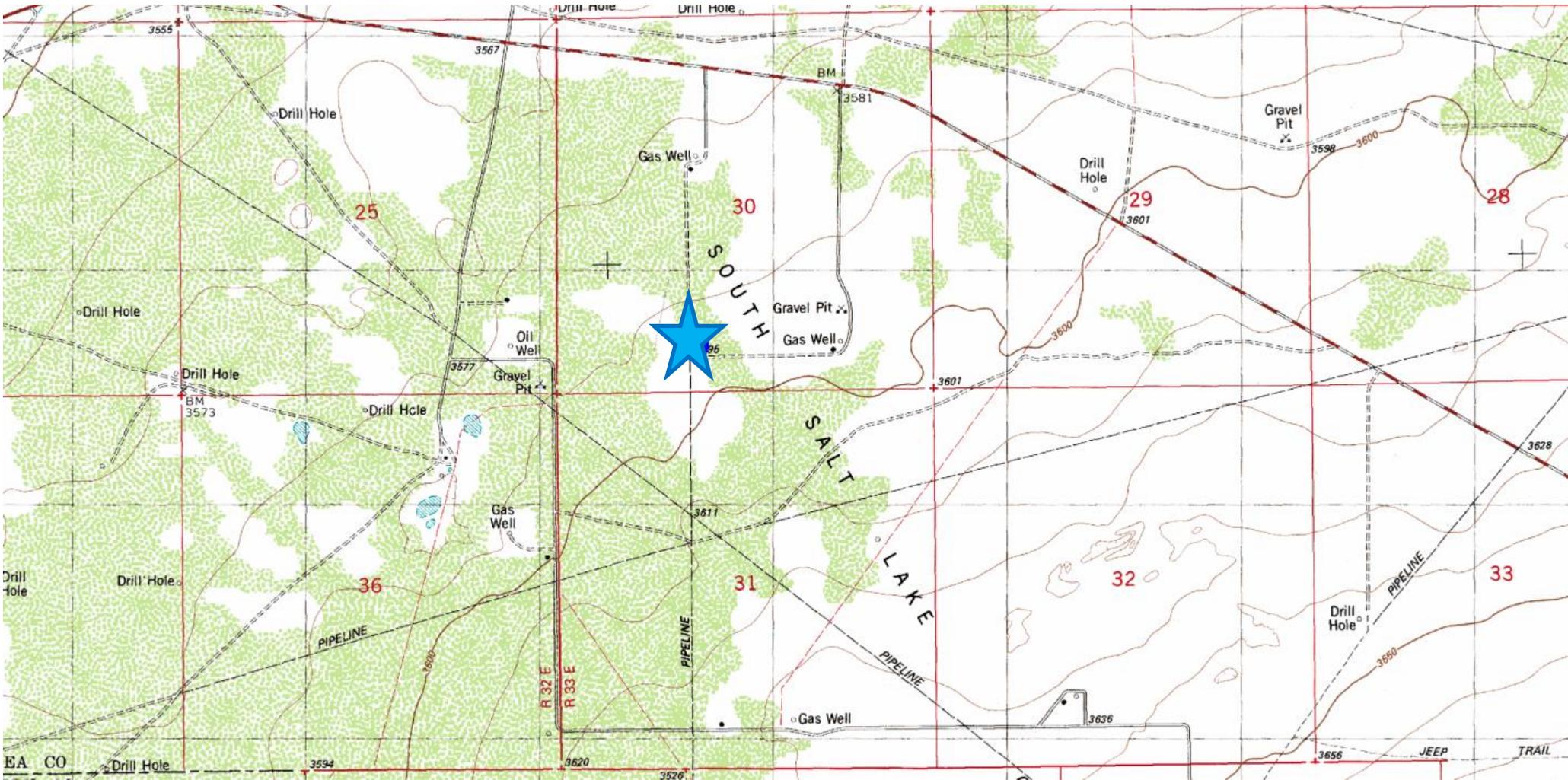
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## Bass Federal #5 Battery



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**Laboratory Analytical Results Summary**  
**Bass Federal #5 Battery**

		Sample	SP1 @ SURFACE	SP1 @ 1'	SP1 @ 2'	SP1 @ 3'
Analyte	Method	Date	4/27/15	4/27/15	4/27/15	4/27/15
			mg/Kg	mg/Kg	mg/Kg	mg/Kg
<b>Chloride</b>	SM4500CI-B		<b>25600</b>	<b>208</b>	<b>320</b>	<16.0

		Sample	SP2 @ SURFACE	SP2 @ 1'	SP2 @ 2'	SP2 @ 3'
Analyte	Method	Date	4/27/15	4/27/15	4/27/15	4/27/15
			mg/Kg	mg/Kg	mg/Kg	mg/Kg
<b>Chloride</b>	SM4500CI-B		<b>10300</b>	<b>464</b>	<b>416</b>	<16.0



May 01, 2015

Cliff Brunson

BBC International, Inc.

P.O. Box 805

Hobbs, NM 88241

RE: BASS FED #5

Enclosed are the results of analyses for samples received by the laboratory on 04/28/15 8:30.

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Method EPA 524.2	Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM)
Method EPA 524.4	Regulated VOCs (V1, V2, V3)

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This report meets NELAP requirements and is made up of a cover page, analytical results, and a copy of the original chain-of-custody. If you have any questions concerning this report, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Celey D. Keene". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Celey D. Keene

Lab Director/Quality Manager

**Analytical Results For:**

 BBC International, Inc.  
 Cliff Brunson  
 P.O. Box 805  
 Hobbs NM, 88241  
 Fax To: (575) 397-0397

Received:	04/28/2015	Sampling Date:	04/27/2015
Reported:	05/01/2015	Sampling Type:	Soil
Project Name:	BASS FED #5	Sampling Condition:	Cool & Intact
Project Number:	NONE GIVEN	Sample Received By:	Jodi Henson
Project Location:	HWY 127		

**Sample ID: SP 1 @ SURFACE (H501097-01)**

Chloride, SM4500Cl-B		mg/kg		Analyzed By: AP					
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier
Chloride	25600	16.0	04/29/2015	ND	416	104	400	3.77	

**Sample ID: SP 1 @ 1' (H501097-02)**

Chloride, SM4500Cl-B		mg/kg		Analyzed By: AP					
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier
Chloride	208	16.0	04/29/2015	ND	416	104	400	3.77	

**Sample ID: SP 1 @ 2' (H501097-03)**

Chloride, SM4500Cl-B		mg/kg		Analyzed By: AP					
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier
Chloride	320	16.0	04/29/2015	ND	416	104	400	3.77	

**Sample ID: SP 1 @ 3' (H501097-04)**

Chloride, SM4500Cl-B		mg/kg		Analyzed By: AP					
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier
Chloride	<16.0	16.0	04/29/2015	ND	416	104	400	3.77	

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\*=Accredited Analyte

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 Cliff Brunson  
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 Hobbs NM, 88241  
 Fax To: (575) 397-0397

Received:	04/28/2015	Sampling Date:	04/27/2015
Reported:	05/01/2015	Sampling Type:	Soil
Project Name:	BASS FED #5	Sampling Condition:	Cool & Intact
Project Number:	NONE GIVEN	Sample Received By:	Jodi Henson
Project Location:	HWY 127		

**Sample ID: SP 2 @ SURFACE (H501097-05)**

Chloride, SM4500CI-B		mg/kg		Analyzed By: AP					
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier
Chloride	10300	16.0	04/29/2015	ND	416	104	400	3.77	

**Sample ID: SP 2 @ 1' (H501097-06)**

Chloride, SM4500CI-B		mg/kg		Analyzed By: AP					
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier
Chloride	464	16.0	04/29/2015	ND	416	104	400	3.77	

**Sample ID: SP 2 @ 2' (H501097-07)**

Chloride, SM4500CI-B		mg/kg		Analyzed By: AP					
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier
Chloride	416	16.0	04/29/2015	ND	416	104	400	3.77	

**Sample ID: SP 2 @ 3' (H501097-08)**

Chloride, SM4500CI-B		mg/kg		Analyzed By: AP					
Analyte	Result	Reporting Limit	Analyzed	Method Blank	BS	% Recovery	True Value QC	RPD	Qualifier
Chloride	<16.0	16.0	04/29/2015	ND	416	104	400	3.77	

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**Notes and Definitions**

- ND Analyte NOT DETECTED at or above the reporting limit
- RPD Relative Percent Difference
- \*\* Samples not received at proper temperature of 6°C or below.
- \*\*\* Insufficient time to reach temperature.
- Chloride by SM4500Cl-B does not require samples be received at or below 6°C  
Samples reported on an as received basis (wet) unless otherwise noted on report



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Celey D. Keene, Lab Director/Quality Manager



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**CHAIN-OF-CUSTODY AND ANALYSIS REQUEST**

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Company Name: BBC International, Inc. **BILL TO** ANALYSIS REQUEST

Project Manager: Cliff Brunson

Address: P. O. Box 805

City: Hobbs State: NM Zip: 88241

Phone #: 575-397-6388 Fax #: 575-397-0397

Project #: Project Owner: Chevron

Project Name: Boss Fed #5

Project Location: Hwy 127

Sampler Name: Pete Benson

FOR LAB USE ONLY

P.O. #: Company:

Attn: Address:

City: State: Zip:

Phone #: Fax #:

Lab I.D.	Sample I.D.	(G)RAB OR (C)OMP.	# CONTAINERS	MATRIX						DATE	TIME							
				GROUNDWATER	WASTEWATER	SOIL	OIL	SLUDGE	OTHER :									
H501097																		
1	SP10 Surface	G	1							4/27/15	930							
2	SP10 21	G	1							4/27/15	945							
3	SP10 22	G	1							4/27/15	1000							
4	SP10 23	G	1							4/27/15	1020							
5	SP20 Surface	G	1							4/27/15	1040							
6	SP20 11	G	1							4/27/15	1100							
7	SP20 21	G	1							4/27/15	1130							
8	SP20 31	G	1							4/27/15	115							

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Relinquished By: *[Signature]* Date: 4/27/15 Time: 5:00pm

Received By: *[Signature]* Date: 4-28-15 Time: 8:15

Delivered By: (Circle One) *[Signature]*  UPS  Bus  Other: -9.80

Sample Condition:  Cool  Intact  Yes  No

Checked By: *[Signature]*

Phone Result:  Yes  No Add'l Phone #:

Fax Result:  Yes  No Add'l Fax #:

REMARKS:

† Cardinal cannot accept verbal changes. Please fax written changes to 505-393-2476

## Kathy Purvis

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**From:** Jones, Kellie, EMNRD <Kellie.Jones@state.nm.us>  
**Sent:** Friday, June 05, 2015 11:11 AM  
**To:** Cliff Brunson  
**Cc:** 'Stephen Gwin'; 'Ken Swinney'; 'Jennifer Gilkey'; 'Kathy Purvis'  
**Subject:** RE: Chevron Bass Federal #5 Battery - Remediation Plan

Cliff,

In review of the work plan for Chevron Bass Federal #5 Battery, the work plan is approved as is.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Have a great day!

Kellie Jones  
Environmental Specialist, District 1  
Oil Conservation Division, EMNRD  
(575) 393-6161 ext. 111  
575-370-3180 (emergency-cell)  
E-Mail: [kellie.jones@state.nm.us](mailto:kellie.jones@state.nm.us)

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Please note:

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- Photographic documentation is stipulated for all events involving liquids.

If you have any questions or concerns, and for notification, please contact me.

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**From:** Cliff Brunson [mailto:[cbrunson@bbcinternational.com](mailto:cbrunson@bbcinternational.com)]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 02, 2015 8:58 AM  
**To:** Jones, Kellie, EMNRD  
**Cc:** 'Stephen Gwin'; 'Ken Swinney'; 'Jennifer Gilkey'; 'Kathy Purvis'  
**Subject:** RE: Chevron Bass Federal #5 Battery - Remediation Plan

Kellie,

I have attached the corrected remediation packet. The drawing was corrected (my apologies), the initial C-141 has the correct surface owner on it, and I included some pictures of the spill area inside the battery. These pictures are some of the area that is being excavated. I hope this meets your request. If you need anything else, please let me know.

Thanks, Cliff

Cliff P. Brunson, CEI, CRS  
President  
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World-Wide Environmental Specialists  
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**From:** Jones, Kellie, EMNRD [<mailto:Kellie.Jones@state.nm.us>]  
**Sent:** Monday, June 1, 2015 2:50 PM  
**To:** Cliff Brunson  
**Cc:** Stephen Gwin; Ken Swinney; Jennifer Gilkey; Kathy Purvis  
**Subject:** RE: Chevron Bass Federal #5 Battery - Remediation Plan

Cliff,

Please note the work plan is not approved as is. Please provide photos of the site. In addition, it is noted on page 1 that is an Oxy site, but it is also referenced with a Chevron API. Please clarify who the surface owner is, BLM or private?

Thank you.

Kellie Jones  
Environmental Specialist, District 1  
Oil Conservation Division, EMNRD  
(575) 393-6161 ext. 111  
575-370-3180 (emergency-cell)  
E-Mail: [kellie.jones@state.nm.us](mailto:kellie.jones@state.nm.us)

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**Sent:** Friday, May 29, 2015 4:06 PM  
**To:** Jones, Kellie, EMNRD

Cc: Stephen Gwin; Ken Swinney; Jennifer Gilkey; Kathy Purvis  
Subject: Chevron Bass Federal #5 Battery - Remediation Plan

Kellie,

I have attached the materials that we used in our discussion on May 19<sup>th</sup> concerning the remediation plan for the illegal dumping spill that occurred inside Chevron's Bass Federal #5 Battery. As you recall, it was agreed that 1 foot of impacted soil would be hand excavated in the spill area and then backfilled with clean soil.

If you would please respond back via e-mail with your concurrence of the agreed upon remediation plan, it would be greatly appreciated. If you have any questions, please let me know.

Thanks, Cliff

Cliff P. Brunson, CEI, CRS  
President  
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