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Subject: CSMRI Site Project Status

Dear Mr. Ethington

As you are aware, snow has been accumulating on site since the beginning of the Flood Plain soil segregation work on December 20, 2006. Stoller was able to get a portion of the final soil segregation completed prior to the first major snowfall that, combined with the multiple following snows, has completely shut down progress at the Site.

Stoller attempted to use the loader from the soil segregation work to maintain access to the site, with only partial success. The following lists the status of each of the Work Plan tasks currently approved for completion by the CDPHE at the CSMRI Site.

Flood Plain Soil Segregation

Stoller was able to install storm water controls, remove vegetation, and perform approximately 50% of the initial soil segregation prior to the first snowstorm. Because Stoller determined the potential to adversely impact the wetlands area was greatly increased due to the snow fall, operations on the Flood Plain were suspended at that time. Further reconnaissance of the area has identified the Flood Plain to be covered with approximately 2 feet of snow, leaving us with no economically or environmentally sound method for soil segregation. Our plan is to wait for weather conditions to improve and naturally re-open access to the area. At that time, Stoller will also segregate the one small soil area near the water line to take to the stockpiles.

Clay Pits Investigation

Stoller had planned on initiating investigative borings on January 2, 2007. After the first snow storm, the loader being used for the Flood Plain work was used to remove snow from the access road to the Clay Pits. Unfortunately, the second snow storm, on December 29, and the following wind event in early January, drifted snow across the road in excess of three feet deep. Drilling was postponed and has been rescheduled to begin on February 5, 2007, weather permitting.

Monitoring Well Installation

Snow from the first storm was removed from the access roads to the monitoring well sites using the loader from the Flood Plain work. Unfortunately, melting snow combined with additional snow and drifting snow has since eliminated access to most of the locations. We were not able to install any new wells. The monitoring well installation has been rescheduled to begin following the Clay Pits Investigation, on or about February 7, 2007, weather permitting.

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Fourth Quarter Well Sampling

Water samples were collected from existing site wells for fourth quarter sampling on December 18, 2006. They were packaged in three separate coolers and shipped via Fed Ex on December 19. Two of the three coolers made it to the lab, but Fed Ex lost the third cooler. The third cooler was never located. Unfortunately, the third lost cooler contained samples from each of the wells we sampled. Thus, the two coolers represented an incomplete set of samples, rendering the data insufficient for analyzing ground water quality for that sampling event. Our plan is to wait to re-sample the existing wells when the new wells come on line in a few weeks. In any event, we will have to re-sample the existing wells when we sample the new wells, so at this point it is more efficient to sample both existing and new wells concurrently.

Conclusions

Based on the extraordinary weather conditions the Front Range has experienced, the tasks will be scheduled as outlined in this letter. The CDPHE schedule target dates, as stated in the CDPHE letters approving the Work Plans, for implementation, investigation completion, and findings submittal for these tasks cannot be met. Stoller and the School are committed to completing this work as soon as reasonably possible, and request CDPHE to adjust its target dates accordingly.

Feel free to contact me, Linn Havelick, or Joseph Gordon, with any questions or concerns.

Thank you.



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