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Cuttings Trench Correspondence

4/14/2020

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Inspection Doc #692402053

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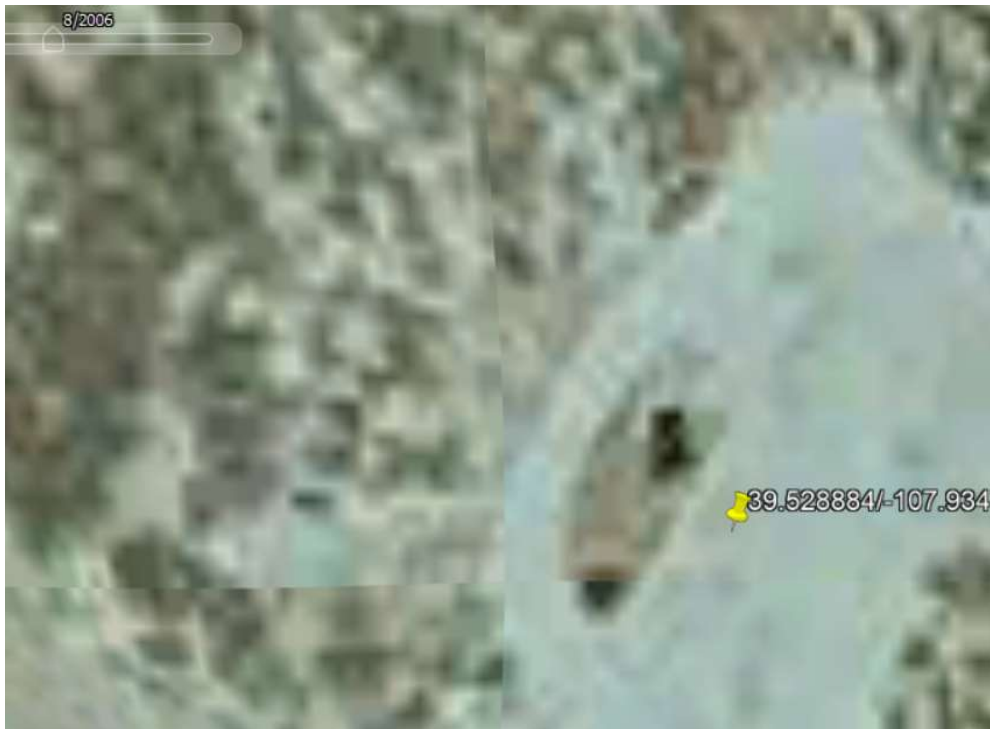
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Tue, Apr 14, 2020 at 9:39 AM

To: Mike Gardner <mgardner@terraep.com>, Alex Fischer - DNR <alex.fischer@state.co.us>

Hello Mike,

I wanted to follow up on an inspection that Lou conducted on 4/3/2020 at the RWF 21-18 location. Lou discovered some potentially impacted material within the cuttings trench on location. Can you please provide some information on the potentially impacted material, it appears there was an old pit on location based on aerials from August 2006.



Thank you,

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John,

Lou Colby inspected this location on 4/03/20 (Friday). TEP received the inspection report On 4/06/20 (Monday) and we conducted a site inspection on that same day. We confirmed that what Lou saw in the excavation was simply the very edge of the old drill cuttings trench that was closed in 2009. The discolored soils that Lou saw were not associated with any historical or on-going spill. I responded to this inspection report on 4/07/20 (Tuesday) and the FIRR went to you, Lou, and Jim Byers (BLM). The FIR response document number is 402364478.

To summarize the response, the discolored soils that Lou saw were from the edge of an old drill cuttings trench that was closed in 2009. I collected a sample of the discolored materials and ran a PetroFlag screen and also submitted to the lab for analysis (see attached lab report). The results of the screening and lab analysis are as follows:

| RWF 21-18-694 Old Drill Cuttings Trench (Sample collected on 4/07/20) | PetroFlag Field Screen Result (TPH) | ALS Lab Result - TPH COGCC standard (500 mg/Kg) | ALS Lab Result - Benzene COGCC standard (0.17 mg/Kg) |
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| SL-1: Discolored soils in north west corner of new pit. | 312 ppm | 16 | U |

The old drill cuttings material was managed appropriately and no further action is planned. The new cuttings trench is being constructed adjacent to the old cuttings trench and has been approved by COGCC.

Please let me know if you have further questions.

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