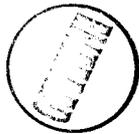




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RE: LANDFILL 5 SWMU #113 STATE HSWA LEAD

Dear Colonel Benson:

Although the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) does not have full authorization to administrate the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Hazardous and Solid Waste Act (HSWA) Program, NMED may request the lead for a particular Solid Waste Management Unit (SWMU) on a site-by-site basis.

On February 10, 1992 NMED requested the lead in enforcing HSWA regulations for the Cannon Air Force Base (CAFB) SWMU #113, located at Landfill #5, from EPA Region 6. On March 2, 1992, the EPA Region 6 granted this request with the stipulations that they review all State required "HSWA actions" and co-sign any corrective action (see attachment).

The June 1990 CAFB RCRA Facility Investigation Workplan Volume I, states that the RFI Report and the Corrective Measures Study on SWMU #113 are due in September 1992. NMED is available to provide guidance in developing these documents. Upon receipt of this letter, please contact Lee Winn at (505) 827-4308, of the Hazardous and Radioactive Bureau to discuss the status of the above referenced documents.

Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

Sincerely,

  
Edward Horst, RCRA Program Manager  
New Mexico Environment Department

- cc William K. Honker, Chief, RCRA Permits Branch, EPA Region 6
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Dear Mr. Horst:

This is in response to your February 10, 1992 letter regarding Cannon Air Force Base and NMED's desire to take the HSWA lead on SWMU# 113, Landfill # 5.

The Region has no problems with NMED taking the HSWA lead on SWMU# 113 at Cannon Air Force Base. However, EPA will need to review all State required "HSWA actions" at this SWMU, since EPA still retains HSWA authority. Therefore, EPA must co-sign (joint signatures) any corrective action required by the State regarding this SWMU. Also, you may want to amend the FY 92 grant workplan so that it reflects this additional responsibility.

If you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact Rich Mayer of my staff at (214) 655-6775.

Sincerely yours,

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