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Mr. Benito Garcia, Chief
New Mexico Environment Department
Hazardous and Radioactive Materials Bureau
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Re: Review of Holloman Air Force Base - Table 1 Phase II RFI Report, EPA I.D. No. NM6572124422

Dear Mr. Garcia:

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has completed a technical review of the Holloman Air Force Base (HAFB) Table 1 Phase II RFI Report submitted June 15, 1995, and has determined the Report deficient. Enclosed are the deficiencies. EPA recommends that HAFB be allowed sixty days to respond.

Based upon the sampling results presented in the Report, EPA recommends that three (3) sites (See Review Summary page) be removed from the HAFB current HSWA permit and that the Class 3 permit modification not be initiated by HAFB until all comments have been resolved.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Mr. Allen T. Chang of my staff at (214) 665-7541.

Sincerely yours,


David W. Neleigh, Chief
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Enclosure

REVIEW SUMMARY

This RFI Report including information on the following SWMUs:

SWMU 82 - Building 131 Washrack
SWMU 102 - Acid Trailer Disposal Site
SWMU 104 - Former Army Landfill
SWMU 134 - Buildings 920-924 Drainage Ditch
Fire Department Training Area (FTA) (SWMUs 170, 171, JP-4)
SWMU 197 - Former Entomology Shop
AOC-P - Building 301 Fuel Tank Leaks
AOC-T - POL Storage Tank Leaks

Based upon the information provided, the proposals have been grouped as follows:

Sites Where No Further Action (NFA) Appears Appropriate

Based upon the information provided, NMED/EPA tentatively agrees with the NFA proposals for the following sites:

SWMU 102 - Acid Trailer Disposal Site
SWMU 134 - Buildings 920-924 Drainage Ditch
SWMU 171 - Burn area (in FTA)

Sites Where Additional Information is Needed

Subject to the receipt and review of additional information or investigation, the following sites may be reconsidered for NFA:

SWMU 104 - Former Army Landfill (IRP Site LF-29)
AOC-P - Building 301 Fuel Tank Leaks

Sites Where Voluntary Corrective Action (VCA) is Proposed or Being Undertaking

Further information such as final confirmatory sampling and analytical results and detailed remedial actions are to be provided on these sites prior to approval of NFA:

SWMU 82 - Building 131 Washrack
SWMU 170
SWMU 197 - Former Entomology Shop
JP-4 - Tank Area
AOC-T - POL Storage Tank Leaks

NOTICE OF DEFICIENCY
Holloman Air Force Base (HAFB)
RFI Table 1 - Phase II Report

General Comments:

1. For sites which are planned or are undertaking a Voluntary Corrective Action (VCA), a No Further Action (NFA) determination is pending until the VCA is complete and HAFB submits the final confirmatory sampling and analytical results, and detailed remedial actions. (**Best Professional Judgement (BPJ)**)

Site Specific Comments:

1. SWMU 104 - Former Army Landfill (IRP Site LF-29)
Page 4-15: Since no soil samples were ever collected at the site due to the dangers associated with sampling an area potentially containing unexploded ordnance, HAFB shall establish institutional controls and continue to monitor the groundwater for VOCs and SVOCs on yearly basis. (**BPJ**)
2. AOC-P - Building 301 Fuel Tank Leaks (IRP Site OT-44)
HAFB shall either perform a corrective measure study or propose a voluntary corrective action for the site. NFA proposal will not be considered at this time. (**BPJ**)