



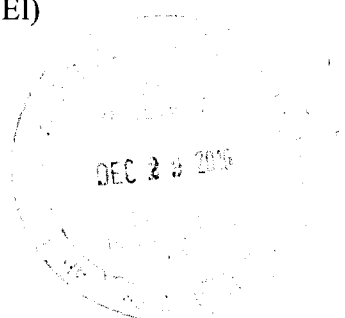
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New Mexico Environment Department  
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**Re: Request for Extension: Notice of Disapproval and Request for additional efforts,  
Nitrate Characterization Study.**

Dear Mr. Kieling:

Holloman AFB is requesting a 12-month extension to provide a plan to work on the Basewide Nitrate background study requested by NMED in the October 7, 2016 notice of disapproval correspondence related to the base wide nitrate groundwater characterization study at Holloman Air Force Base, New Mexico. Holloman and the Air Force Civil Engineering Center (AFCEC) are soliciting expertise from the United States Geological Survey (USGS) to help better characterize the fate and transport of nitrate in the environment at the Base. Funding has not been approved for USGS support at this time. While USGS conducts efforts at the Base related to nitrates, Holloman and will continue to address nitrates in groundwater at ongoing corrective action sites on a case-by-case basis using the AFCEC performance based remediation contractors.

If you have any questions regarding this submittal, please contact me at (575) 572-6675.

Sincerely,

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