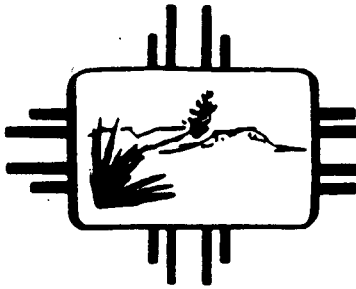


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Dear Colonel Behling:

The Environmental Improvement Division (EID) has reviewed your request of 19 December 1989, pertaining to the submittal of a joint closure plan in lieu of separate closure plans. According to the New Mexico Hazardous Waste Management Regulations, the facility is required to have closure plans for all units used to manage hazardous waste. Therefore, if the closure plan(s) submitted by Kirtland contains all the required information, a single submittal should be acceptable.

I note that you reference only one pond at the golf course. Is there a reason why the other ponds are not being addressed? Though the EID has not discussed these other ponds in great detail, our written communication with Kirtland has referenced ponds and not a pond.

Should you have questions, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Boyd Hamilton

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