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Mr. William K. Honker, P.E.  
Chief, RCRA Permits Branch  
U.S. EPA Region 6  
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Dear Mr. Honker

In late September 1994, our Compliance Branch officially notified the Restoration Branch that, during cleanup of an area southwest of Landfill 1 (SWMU 6-1), they had uncovered a variety of hazardous materials. The Restoration Branch conducted a visual investigation of this area on 3 October 1994 and determined this area warrants further investigation via a SWMU assessment report (SAR). When first encountered, we originally thought this area was part of Landfill 1, but have since determined it is a separate disposal site. The following information is provided:

- a. **SITE DESIGNATION:** Ammo Storage Area Disposal Site, DP-69
- b. **LOCATION:** South of Kirtland Road, immediately west of the Ammo Storage Area, in a small arroyo which drains off the south side of the runway into Tijeras Arroyo (Attachment 1)
- c. **MATERIALS NOTED:** Rocket motors, practice bombs (varied sizes), fire extinguisher cylinders (some partially filled), 55-gallon drums containing petroleum products, and assorted metal containers.

(1) The visible extinguishers, rocket motors, and two drums were removed; however, we do not know how much material is still buried or if any hazardous constituents contaminated the soils under the area.

(2) Compliance tested the two drums; results are at Attachment 2.

(3) There are several drums still on the site that were not removed as they were beyond the scope of the project at the time.

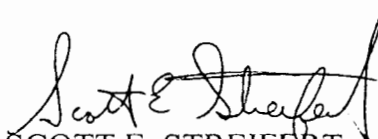


d. **AGE OF SITE:** We believe this area was abandoned prior to 1975, when Landfill 1 was closed.

If the SAR reveals contamination, we will add this site to Appendix VI, with the draft RFI Report due 31 December 1996.

Please contact Mr. Christopher DeWitt, Acting Chief, Restoration Branch, (505) 846-2773/0053, if you have any questions.

Respectfully

  
SCOTT E. STREIFERT, Major, USAF  
Director  
Environmental Management Division

Attachments:

1. Map
2. Test Results

cc:

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