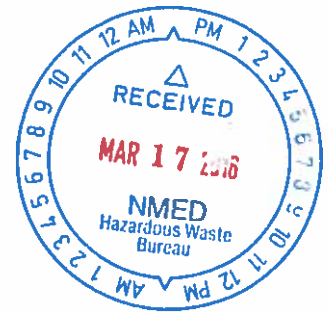




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15 March 2016

GROUND WATER

Ms. Michelle Hunter
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Subject: Request for Temporary Permission to Discharge, Bulk Fuels Facility, Kirtland Air Force Base, New Mexico Golf Course Main Pond

Dear Ms. Hunter

Kirtland Air Force Base (KAFB) is requesting a temporary permission to discharge as an irrigation source to the KAFB Tijeras Arroyo Golf Course for 120 days, pursuant to Subsection B of 20.6.2.3106 New Mexico Administrative Code of the New Mexico Water Quality Control Commission Regulations. KAFB needs to allow the necessary time for the Discharge Permit No. DP-1770 modification application to be processed and to support the interim cleanup efforts of the dissolved ethylene dibromide portion of the plume for the Bulk Fuels Facility (BFF) site (Solid Waste Management Unit ST-106/SS-111). The BFF treated effluent for irrigation is to New Mexico drinking water standards and the extracted and treated effluent is pursuant to Resource Conservation and Recovery Act Permit No. NM9570024423.

Currently treated effluent from BFF site is under a temporary permission to discharge for pilot test KAFB-7 gravity injection. It is important to have the irrigation temporary permission option as a backup in the event that there are technical issues that will prevent injection and to allow for beneficial reuse at the Golf Course. The temporary permission will begin once approval is obtained and/or when irrigation is needed at the Golf Course and KAFB will notify New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) when it is triggered. KAFB will operate and monitor based on the contingency conditions specified in the DP-1770 issued December 2, 2014 and NMED conditions submitted May 15, 2015 on the KAFB BFF Monitoring and Contingency Plan.

We appreciate your attention to this matter. Please contact me at 505.853.3484 or at ludie.bitner@us.af.mil or Ms. Victoria Branson at 505.846.6362 or at victoria.branson@us.af.mil if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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