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RE: APPROVAL
FINAL FISCAL YEAR 2020 LONG-TERM MONITORING REPORT, WP-026 - BASE SEWAGE LAGOONS AND GOLF COURSE POND (SWMU WP-026), MAY 2021
KIRTLAND AIR FORCE BASE, NEW MEXICO
EPA ID # NM9570024423
HWB-KAFB-21-005

Dear Colonel Vattioni and Ms. Clark,

The New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) received the U.S. Air Force (Permittee) Kirtland Air Force Base (Facility) *Final Fiscal Year 2020 Long-Term Monitoring Report, WP-026 - Base Sewage Lagoons and Golf Course Pond (SWMU WP-026), May 2021 (Report)*, on June 28, 2021. NMED has reviewed the Report and hereby issues this approval with the following comment:

COMMENT

1. Section 7.1, Golf Course Pond

Permittee Statement: "Since nitrate in groundwater is a base-wide concern at Kirtland AFB, which is regulated under two additional sites, Site ST-105 (NMED GWQB) and the SNL site Tijeras Arroyo Groundwater (NMED Hazardous Waste Bureau), it is recommended to remove nitrate as a chemical of concern for Site WP-026."

NMED Comment: The Hazardous Waste Bureau (HWB) has delegated investigative lead status to the Groundwater Quality Bureau (GWQB) for Areas of Concern Tijeras Arroyo Groundwater and McCormick Ranch, which along with Manzano Base Groundwater and Monitoring Well WYO-4 Area, collectively constitute ST-105. The Stage 2 Abatement Plan

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was approved by the GWQB on September 26, 2008. The Permittee has altered the abatement plan by using KAFB-7 as an injection well for the Bulk Fuels Facility Spill site; as a result, the GWQB required the Permittee to submit a modification to the Stage 2 Abatement Plan on September 13, 2019. To date, a modified Stage 2 Abatement Plan has not been submitted to the GWQB. Nitrate at the golf course pond must continue to be monitored under the approved Long-Term Monitoring Plan for WP-26 until such time that the modified Stage 2 Abatement Plan has been approved, and HWB approves a modified Long-Term Monitoring Plan for WP-26.

This approval is based on the information presented in the document as it relates to the objectives of the work identified by NMED at the time of review. Approval of this document does not constitute agreement with all information, or every statement presented in the document.

If you have any questions regarding this letter, please contact Naomi Davidson at (505) 690-7567.

Sincerely,

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