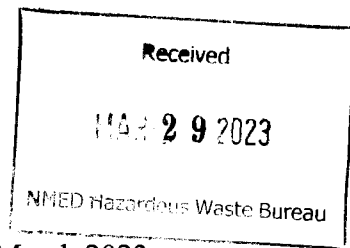




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Dear Mr. Cobrain

On February 1, 2023, the New Mexico Environment Department Hazardous Waste Bureau (NMED HWB) issued a Second Disapproval for the *Bioventilation Construction and Initiation Report Revision 1*. This report described the initial bioventilation pilot test activities for the Bulk Fuels Facility, Solid Waste Management Units ST-106/SS-111 at Kirtland Air Force Base, New Mexico. The NMED HWB Second Disapproval requires no revisions to the *Bioventilation Construction and Initiation Report Revision 1* and requires that comments be incorporated into a Final Report to be submitted by May 31, 2023. In October 2021, the Air Force submitted the *Bioventilation Pilot Testing Report for the Bulk Fuels Facility*, which was intended to address comments from the initial disapproval, dated September 23, 2020, of the *Bioventilation Construction and Initiation Report*. Attached to this letter is the transmittal letter for the *Bioventilation Pilot Testing Report* submitted to NMED HWB on October 19, 2021. The October 2021 report was posted to the NMED administrative record on November 2, 2021, under facility record number 5066.

The Air Force requests that NMED HWB rescind its requirement for an additional Final Report to be submitted by May 31, 2023. The Air Force is respectfully requesting that any comments within the February 1, 2023 Second Disapproval that are not addressed in the October 2021 *Bioventilation Pilot Testing Report* be captured in NMED's official response letter to that report.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Mr. Ryan Wortman at the commercial line (505) 853-3484 or email ryan.wortman.3@us.af.mil.

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