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Waste Characterization Strategy Form

Project Title	**Regional Well R-3 in Pueblo Canyon**
Regional Well	**R-3 (Pueblo Canyon)**
Activity Type	**Regional Well Installation and Aquifer Testing**
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Description of Activity:

The waste-generating activities addressed in this Waste Characterization Strategy Form (WCSF) consist of the installation (i.e., drilling, development, and groundwater sampling) and aquifer testing of regional monitoring well R-3 located in Pueblo Canyon (Figure 1).

The following waste streams are anticipated:

- Waste Stream #1-Contact Waste
- Waste Stream #2-Drill Cuttings
- Waste Stream #3-Drilling Fluids
- Waste Stream #4-Development Water
- Waste Stream #5-Decontamination Fluids
- Waste Stream #6-Municipal Solid Waste (MSW)
- Waste Stream #7-Petroleum Contaminated Soils (PCS)
- Waste Stream #8-Drilled out Concrete Chips or Concrete Slurry
- Waste Stream #9-Contaminated Storm-water

Every effort will be made to recycle or reuse contact waste, if determined to be non-hazardous, non-radioactive.

All wastes will be managed in accordance with P-409, *Waste Management*, EP-SOP-5238, *Characterization and Management of Environmental Program Waste*, P-930-1, *LANL Waste Acceptance Criteria*, P-930-2, *Waste Certification Program*, and approved work plans.

Trained and qualified Field Waste Management Technician(s)(FWMT), Waste Sampling Personnel (SP), and Hazardous Materials Packaging and Transportation (HMPT) personnel will be assigned by the subcontractor to perform the duties outlined in EP-SOP-5238, *Characterization and Management of Environmental Program Waste*.

This WCSF will be implemented before any waste generating activity is undertaken. An amendment to this strategy form will be prepared and submitted for review and approval if any of the waste streams change in description or characterization approach or unanticipated waste streams are generated. The generation of no path forward wastes must be approved by Department of Energy (DOE) prior to generation of the waste.

Investigation activities will be conducted in a manner that minimizes the generation of waste. Waste minimization will be accomplished by implementing the most recent version of the "Los Alamos National Laboratory Hazardous Waste Minimization Report" (LANL 2008, 104174). Waste streams will be recycled/reused, as appropriate.

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Relevant Site History and Description:

Regional monitoring well R-3 was recommended in the "Los Alamos and Pueblo Canyons Groundwater Monitoring Well Network Evaluation and Recommendations, Revision 1" (LANL 2008, 101330) and approved by the New Mexico Environmental Department (NMED) in a letter dated March 28, 2008, "Approval with Direction Los Alamos and Pueblo Canyons Groundwater Monitoring Well Network Evaluation and Recommendations, Revision 1, Los Alamos National Laboratory (NMED 2008, 101112). Regional Well R-3 is being installed to provide a monitoring point below Pueblo Canyon and will monitor potential contaminants from sources that include Acid Canyon, sewage plants in Pueblo Canyon, and Manhattan-era buildings in the town site. [Drilling Work Plan for Los Alamos and Pueblo Canyons Groundwater Monitoring wells, May 5, 2008, EP2008-0218, LA-UR-08-2738]

The principal contamination source in Pueblo Canyon was outfalls in TA-01, in what later became TA-45, the site of LANL's first Radioactive Liquid Waste Treatment Facility (Consolidated Unit 45-001-00). Effluent from TA-01 and -45 released into Acid Canyon included untreated liquid waste from 1943 to 1951 and treated liquid waste from 1951 to 1964. Acid Canyon flows into Pueblo Canyon [PRS Database].

TA-01 was the first TA at LANL, which housed the theoretical divisions, LANL administration, plutonium chemistry, physics research, and other activities. Numerous outfalls discharged from the former TA-01 septic system, drain lines, and industrial laundry facility; outfalls were located in Bailey Canyon and Acid Canyon, via pipeline to the north to former TA-45. Known potential contaminants from TA-01 operations include uranium, plutonium, tritium, Cesium-137, paint and solvent residues, chemicals and solvents associated with the radionuclides, and mercury. Suspected contaminants include chromium, organic compounds, miscellaneous chemicals, solvents, and nonferrous metals. [Work Plan for OU 1049, November 1995, ER No. 050290, LA-UR-95-2053]

TA-45 was the site of the first radioactive liquid waste treatment facility at LANL. Structures associated with former TA-45 include a waste treatment facility and laboratory, a vehicle decontamination facility, a sewage lift station, and a transformer station. Known contaminants include tritium, uranium, Plutonium-239, Strontium-90, Cesium-137, and gross-alpha radiation. Suspected contaminants include chemicals and solvents associated with the radionuclides. Most of the contamination released remained in the immediate area and in Acid Canyon below the facility. However some radionuclides migrated downstream in Acid Canyon, adsorbed to sediments, and is being transported down Pueblo Canyon [Work Plan for OU 1049, November 1995 ER No. 050290, LA-UR-95-2053].

TA-73 is the site of the existing Los Alamos Airport. Past operations at TA-73 included incinerating classified documents and disposing of various types of waste; steam-cleaning garbage cans, trucks, and dumpsters; operating a landfill and burning municipal and laboratory waste; disposing of waste oil; storing HE; operating a surface disposal facility; and operating an asphalt batch plant. All these operations were located on the south rim of Pueblo Canyon.

Past analytical data associated with wells along Pueblo Canyon, PAO-1, PAO-2, R-2, R-3i, and R-4, were evaluated (See Figure 1). Trace amounts of dioxane [1, 4] (R-3i), chloromethane (PAO-2), methylene chloride (PAO-2, PAO-3, R-3i], and bis(2-ethylhexyl)phthalate (R-2 and R-4) were detected; however, these detections were very sporadic and not indicative of a contaminant "plume" along Pueblo Canyon from a listed source. Of the organic detections, chloromethane is the more recent (July 2009) in an alluvial groundwater sample taken from PAO-2. The *Due Diligence for Purge Water at Well PAO-2 in Los Alamos Pueblo Canyon* (TerranearPMC, September 2009) concluded that chloromethane did not originate from a listed source. Trace amounts of radionuclide constituents were also detected in the groundwater at the above-mentioned wells along Pueblo Canyon. Americium-241, Plutonium 239, Plutonium-240, Radium-226, Radioum-228, Uranium-234, and Strontium-90 were detected in PAO-2.

Urainum-234 and Uranium-238 were detected in R-2. Uranium-234,-235,-236, and -238 were detected at R-4. [LANL Water Quality Database and GIS Smart I System].

Analytical data from Pueblo Canyon sediment investigation show polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs) and phthalates detects; however no PAHs and phthalates were included in the analytical suite for the sediment in the vicinity of the existing well TW-2A (Reach P-2). PAHs are commonly found in oil, coal, tar deposits (i.e., asphalt), soil, sediment, and oily substances and phthalates are prevalent in the environment because of their use in plastics like PVC. These detections are most likely the result of storm or surface water runoff resulting in the transport of these constituents along the canyon and contaminating the sediments as there is no evidence of a spill, release, or discharge of these unused/unspent chemicals that might have contaminated the well. PCBs and mercury were also detected in the Pueblo Canyon sediment; however Aroclor-1260 was the only PCB contaminant detected in the vicinity of the replacement well. Americium-241, Plutonium-238,239, and 240 were also detected above background values in the sediment in the vicinity of the well. [Pueblo Canyon Reach Report, September 1998, LA-UR-98-3324]

CHARACTERIZATION STRATEGY

The characterization strategy for investigation derived waste (IDW) generated during well installation is based upon direct sampling of the containerized waste and acceptable knowledge (AK) data/documentation associated with well location (i.e., within or near an Area or Concern [AOC] or Solid Waste Management Unit [SWMU]). AK includes review of existing analytical data (i.e., soil, sediment, cuttings, and groundwater data) in the vicinity of the well, historical documentation associated with nearby AOCs or SWMUs (i.e., RFI Work Plans, Investigation Reports, Sediment Canyon Investigation Reports, etc.), and may also include source term/process identification performed to identify whether listed hazardous waste may be present (i.e., due diligence reviews).

The initial management of each waste stream generated from drilling well R-3 will be based upon existing acceptable knowledge (AK) data/documentation or by direct sampling of the IDW. Based upon previous AK data/documentation [See Relevant Site History and Description], the waste streams generated from R-3 will initially be managed as non-hazardous, pending analytical results. Although there is documented evidence that operations from TA-1 and TA-45 may have discharged solvents into Acid and Pueblo Canyons, based upon previous AK data, there is no conclusive evidence of an organic "plume" from a listed source that may contaminate the aquifer in the vicinity of the well location. For the initial management of the IDW, the non-hazardous waste label, date of generation (i.e., initial placement in the container), as well as the generator's name and container contents will be placed on the non-hazardous waste containers as a best management practice. A final waste determination will be made within 45 days from the date of generation so that if the waste is determined to be hazardous, it can be managed expeditiously. Returned samples and associated PPE may be included with a waste stream at the time of disposal, if appropriate.

Based upon historical data/documentation, the IDW from this well may be designated as radioactive [See Relevant Site History and Description]. Once waste has been determined to be radioactive and does not meet land application standards, waste must be managed in a registered radioactive waste staging or storage area. Waste determinations will be made in a timely manner so that if the waste is determined to be hazardous, radioactive, or mixed low-level, it can be managed expeditiously. A Waste Acceptance Criteria (WAC) exception form (WEF) can be used if the generator does not make a waste determination within 45 days of the generation date of the waste.

If analytical data or AK documentation indicate the presence of listed constituents that are not associated with a listed source (i.e., spill or disposal of an unused/unspent chemical), a due diligence review of available documentation may be performed to support the position that the constituents are not from a listed source. If the due diligence does not identify a listed source, the waste will not carry the listed waste number. If a listed constituent is identified and is from a listed source (i.e., release or discharge of a spent solvent), but the levels are below groundwater standards or soil screening levels and land disposal

restrictions (LDRs), a "contained-in" request may be made to New Mexico Environment Department (NMED in order to remove the listed waste number from the waste stream. A copy of either the ENV-RCRA approved due diligence or the NMED "contained-in" approval must accompany all waste profiles prepared for the subject waste(s).

Sampling Waters in Pits and Tanks:

Groundwater produced during well drilling, development, and rehabilitation must be containerized on-site in a lined pit or tank(s). A representative sample(s) will be collected from each pit or tank in order to accurately characterize the water quality to determine compliance with the NOI Decision Tree, Representative samples shall be collected in accordance with the following requirements (Reference: ENV-RCRA-SOP-10.1, *Land Application of Groundwater*, May 2008)

- A composite sample shall be collected from each pit and tank at intervals across the entire water column—surface, middle, and bottom. Stratified, vertical sampling is necessary to address NMED's concerns about stratification of contaminants in the pit or tank. Note: If the water freezes, leaving a thin film of ice at the top, a composite sample may still be taken by breaking through the thin film, as long as the stratified vertical composite sampling is maintained.

- The methods available to sample a pit or tank at varying depths include the following:

  - Geotech pump with tubing attached to a weight or pole
  - Bomb sampler
  - Coliwasa liquid waste sampler
  - Thief sampler
  - Bailer depending upon depth of container

- Alternately, an aliquot may be collected during water production and diverted to a smaller container (e.g., clean 55-gallon drum) that can then be sampled. For example, while filling a 21,000 gallon frac tank, a one-gallon sample is collected every 500 gallons and placed in a clean, 55-gallon drum.

Note: Select the appropriate sampling method, and operate the device in accordance with Appendix E of the RCRA Waste Sampling Draft Technical Guidance (EPA 530-D-02-002, August 2002).

Sampling personnel must record all IDW sampling information in accordance with EP-ERSS-SOP-5058, *Sample Control and Field Documentation* and EP-ERSS-SOP-5181, *Documentation for Waste and Environmental Services Technical Field Activities*. The field notebook or sample collection sheet must be used to document sample collection activities (e.g., equipment and sampling methods used, number and location of samples, etc.). Sampling personnel must also record field conditions, problems encountered, local sources of contamination (e.g., operating generators or vehicles), the personnel involved, equipment and supplies used, wastes generated, and field observations.

Discharging Containerized Secondary Containment Storm water:

Potentially contaminated storm water will be managed in accordance with the requirements in 20.6.2.1201, NMAC of the New Mexico Water Quality Control Commission (NMWQCC) Regulations; 40 CFR §112, Oil Pollution Prevention Regulations (Spill Prevention, Control, and Countermeasure [SPCC] Plan); 40 CFR §122, Construction General Permit Regulations, and applicable Storm Water Pollution Prevention (SWPP) Plan requirements. Department of Energy (DOE), LANL Engineering Standards, and state and federal policies/regulations may also apply.

To determine if storm water discharges from secondary containment systems are permitted on LANL property under LANL's discharge policy, the following steps are mandatory:

1) Check for oil sheen. If oil sheen exist, contact Mark Haagenstad 665-2014 or Jake Meadows 606-0185 for handling requirements.

2) Check for pH. The pH must be between 6 and 9.

3) Notify ENV-RCRA (Mark Haagenstad 665-2014 or Jake Meadows 606-0185) prior to proposed discharge.

4) If discharge is not granted by ENV-RCRA, the contaminated storm water must be managed in accordance with this WCSF (See Waste Stream #9).

For unintentional releases or discharges of potentially contaminated storm water to the environment, the following actions must be taken:

5) Document the volume of waste released; time, date, and location of discharge; and other conditions (Complete Form in Attachment 1).

6) Submit the Liquid Discharge Form (Attachment 1) to Mark Haagenstad or Jacob Meadows via FAX to 505-665-9344. .

7) Document the discharge in the SPCC Plan or SWPP Plan, when applicable.

For questions, please contact Mark Haagenstad 665-2014, Jake Meadows 606-0185 or the ENV-RCRA Group Office, 667-0666.

Waste #1: Contact Waste- This waste stream is comprised of solid waste generated during well installation activities that has come into contact with contaminated environmental media and equipment. This includes, but is not limited to: PPE (primarily gloves); plastic sheeting (e.g., tarps and liners); plastic and glass sample bottles; disposable sampling supplies (e.g., filters, tubing, plastic bags); and dry decontamination wastes, such as paper items. It is estimated less than 30 cubic yard of contact waste may be generated.

Anticipated Regulatory Status: Green is Clean, LLW, Hazardous, MLLW, Industrial, and Solid (Municipal)

Characterization Approach: Contact IDW will be characterized using acceptable knowledge (AK) of the environmental media (i.e., drill cuttings and drilling fluids) or decontamination fluid with which it came into contact.

Storage and Disposal Method: Contact waste will initially be stored as nonhazardous waste. The waste will ultimately be managed based upon the final regulatory classification of the waste. If the contact waste is determined to be nonhazardous/nonradioactive and approval is granted by ENV-RCRA, it may be recycled and reused via the Material Recycling Facility (MRF).

Waste # 2: Drill Cuttings – This waste stream is comprised of borehole cuttings and core, soil, and rock sediments produced from drilling. The cuttings may or may not contain residue of drilling additives. It is estimated that 80 cubic yards of drill cuttings may be generated.

Anticipated Regulatory Status: LLW, Hazardous, MLLW, and Industrial

Characterization Approach: Waste characterization will be based upon the analytical results obtained from the direct sampling (See Sampling Approach) of the cuttings. Representative samples of the cuttings will be taken within 10 days of well completion. A waste determination will be made within 45 days of waste generation (i.e., the date the cuttings were removed from the pit and first placed into a container, or the date of initial placement into an approved container). A 21-day turnaround time will be requested for analysis.

Sampling Approach: After fluids have been removed from the pit, samples of the drill cuttings will be collected in accordance with LANL SOP-06.10, *Hand Auger and Thin-Wall Tube Sampler,* using systematic grid sampling (minimum of 20 grids) as described in Section 5.2 of the RCRA Waste Sampling

Draft Technical Guidance (EPA 530-D-02-002, August 2002). Collect an incremental sample from each grid, boring through the entire depth of the cuttings. Combine the increments into a single sample for the pit. If a hand auger or thin-wall tube sampler is not an appropriate sampling device, select the appropriate tools described in Table 8 of Section 7.1.3 of the EPA guidance, and operate the sampling device in accordance with Appendix E of the guidance.

Sampling personnel must record waste sampling information in accordance with EP-ERSS-SOP-5058, *Sample Control and Field Documentation* and EP-ERSS-SOP-5181, *Documentation for Waste and Environmental Services Technical Field Activities*. The field notebook or sample collection sheet must be used to document sample collection activities (e.g., equipment and sampling methods used, number and location of samples, etc.). Sampling personnel must also record field conditions, problems encountered, local sources of contamination (e.g., operating generators or vehicles), the personnel involved, equipment and supplies used, wastes generated, and field observations.

Storage and Disposal Method: Drill cuttings will initially be stored in lined pits within the project controlled area at each well pending review of analytical results to determine final waste characterization. Specifications for the cuttings pit will be in accordance with the approved Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan. Based upon validated analytical data, drill cuttings will be evaluated using the Automated Waste Determination (AWD) Program, for land application in accordance with ENV-RCRA-SOP-011.1, *Land Application of Drill Cuttings*. If the cuttings meet the criteria for land application, the pit liner will be removed and managed as contact waste and the drill cuttings will be land applied in accordance with the procedure. If analytical data and documentation show the cuttings are hazardous wastes (i.e., contain constituents from a listed source) that meet all of the land application criteria, they will be left in the pit pending a "contained-in" approval from the New Mexico Environment Department. Any wastes that cannot be land applied will be excavated, containerized, and placed in an accumulation area appropriate for the regulatory classification of the waste. Wastes with a 90-day accumulation limit (NMSW or hazardous waste) will be sent to an authorized facility for treatment, storage, or disposal within 90-days of containerization.

Waste # 3: Drilling Fluids – This waste stream is comprised of potable water, from a municipal water well, that is introduced into and retrieved from the borehole during drilling; mixing with groundwater may occur if water bearing formations are encountered. It is estimated that 50,000 gallons of drilling fluids may be generated.

Anticipated Regulatory Status: LLW, Hazardous, MLLW, and Industrial

Characterization Approach: Waste characterization will be based upon the analytical results obtained from the direct sampling of the drilling fluids. Representative samples of the fluids will be taken within 10 days of well completion. If for any reason drilling fluids cannot be placed in pits, they will be containerized and sampled within 10 days of containerization. A waste determination will be made within 45 days of waste generation (i.e., the date of initial placement into an approved container). A 21-day turnaround time will be requested for analysis.

Sampling Approach: See the Sampling Waters from Pits and Tanks section of this WCSF.

Storage and Disposal Method: Drilling fluids will initially be stored in lined pits pending review of analytical results to determine final waste characterization. If, for any reason, the fluids cannot be placed in pits, they will be containerized and stored as nonhazardous waste. The non-hazardous waste label, date of generation (i.e., initial placement in the container), as well as the generator's name and container contents will be placed on the waste non-hazardous waste containers as a best management practice. Based on validated analytical data, drilling fluids will be evaluated, using the Automated Waste Determination (AWD) Program, for land application in accordance with ENV-RCRA-SOP-10.1, *Land Application of Groundwater*. If the drilling fluids meet the criteria for land application, they will be land applied in accordance with the procedure. If analytical data and documentation show the fluids are hazardous wastes (i.e., contain constituents from a listed source) that meet all of the land application criteria, they will be left in pit or container, pending a "contained-in" approval from the New Mexico Environment Department. If the hazardous waste fluids are containerized they are subject to the 90-day

accumulation limit and the "contained-in" approval must be obtained before the accumulation period is exceeded. Any wastes that cannot be land applied will be managed and disposed of based upon the regulatory classification of the waste. Wastes with a 90-day accumulation limit (NMSW or hazardous waste) will be sent to an authorized facility for treatment, storage, or disposal within 90 days of containerization.

Waste #4: Development Water- This waste stream consists of groundwater generated during development of the well and aquifer testing. The anticipated volume of development water that will be generated is approximately 50,000 gallons.

Anticipated Regulatory Status: LLW, Hazardous, MLLW, and Industrial

Characterization Approach: Waste characterization will be based upon the analytical results obtained from the direct sampling of containerized waste. Representative samples will be taken within 10 days of generation (i.e., date of initial placement into the container) so that a waste determination can be made within 45 days of generation. Samples will be submitted with a 21-day turnaround time for analyses.

Sampling Approach: See the Sampling Waters from Pits and Tanks section of this WCSF. **Note:** To collect representative waste samples, either a composite sample will be collected after well development or sample aliquots will be collected periodically during development and stored in a clean 55-gallon drum.

Storage and Disposal Method: Development water will be containerized at the point of generation and initially managed as nonhazardous waste. The non-hazardous waste label, date of generation (i.e., initial placement in the container), as well as the generator's name and container contents will be placed on the non-hazardous waste containers as a best management practice. If appropriate, and based on the validated analytical data, the development water will be evaluated, using the Automated Waste Determination (AWD) Program, for land application in accordance with ENV-RCRA-SOP-10.1, *Land Application of Groundwater*. If the development water meets the criteria for land application, it will be land applied in accordance with the procedure. If analytical data and documentation show the development waters are hazardous wastes (i.e., contain constituents from a listed source) that meet all of the land application criteria, they will be placed in an accumulation area appropriate for the regulatory classification of the waste, pending a "contained-in" approval from the New Mexico Environment Department. Any wastes that cannot be land applied will be managed and disposed of based upon the regulatory classification of the waste. Wastes with a 90-day accumulation limit (NMSW or hazardous waste) will be sent to an authorized facility for treatment, storage, or disposal within 90 days of generation (i.e., initial placement in the container).

Waste #5: Decontamination Water - Consistent with waste minimization practices, the Laboratory employs dry decontamination methods to the extent possible. However, if dry decontamination cannot be performed, liquid decontamination is used. Decontamination water consists of liquid wastes generated from the decontamination of excavation, sampling, and drilling equipment. It is estimated that approximately 500 gallons of decontamination water will be generated.

Anticipated Regulatory Status: LLW, Hazardous, MLLW, and Sanitary Wastewater

Characterization Approach: Decontamination water used on down hole equipment and materials will be characterized using acceptable knowledge (AK) of the media with which it came into contact. All other decontamination water generated from this project (i.e., decontamination water from rinsing a frac tank prior to use or rinsing "clean" equipment prior to down-hole use) must be segregated from the decontamination water used on down-hole equipment and analyzed separately. The characterization approach for decontamination water used on down-hole equipment and materials may be augmented, as needed, by direct sampling of containerized waste to fulfill a treatment, storage, or disposal facility's waste acceptance criteria (WAC). Representative samples will be taken within 10 days of generation (i.e., date of initial placement into the container) so that a waste determination can be made within 45 days of generation and wastes dispositioned within 90 days, if necessary. Samples will be submitted with a 21-day turnaround time for analyses. Multiple sampling may be required to ensure WAC requirements are met.

Sampling Approach: Samples will be collected from the storage container in accordance with LANL SOP-06.15, *COLIWASA Sampler for Liquids and Slurries*. If the container does not permit COLIWASA or bailer sampling, the type of sampling equipment used will be appropriate for the waste container and based on Chapter 7 and operated in accordance with Appendix E of the RCRA Waste Sampling Draft Technical Guidance (EPA 530-D-02-002, August 2002).

Note: Decontamination fluids destined for the Sanitary Wastewater Plant must be sampled by Dustie Rich (ENV-RCRA), or an alternate sampler that is approved by the SWWS WAC Committee, for Microtox Analysis, TSS, TDS, and pH. Submit a request for analysis by going to https://esp-esh-as01-f5.lanl.gov/~esh19/databases/rfa_form.shtml. If LANL does not have an available Microtox Analysis facility to handle the Microtox analysis, this analysis may not be required and may be accepted by the SWWS sanitary wastewater plant on a case-by-case basis.

Storage and Disposal Method: Decontamination water will be containerized at the point of generation and managed as nonhazardous waste. The non-hazardous waste label, date of generation (i.e., initial placement in the container), as well as the generator's name and container contents will be placed on the non-hazardous waste containers as a best management practice. Nonhazardous/nonradioactive decontamination water may be disposed of on-site at the Sanitary Wastewater Treatment Facility if WAC requirements are met. If the waste is hazardous, LLW, or MLLW, it will be managed as such and treated and/or disposed of at an authorized facility.

Waste #6: Municipal Solid Waste (MSW) – This waste stream primarily consists of non-contact trash, including, but not limited to paper, cardboard, wood, plastic, food and beverage containers. It is estimated that 2 cubic yards of MSW will be generated.

Anticipated Regulatory Status: MSW

Characterization Approach: MSW will be characterized based on acceptable knowledge.

Storage and Disposal Method: MSW will be segregated from all other waste streams. It is anticipated that the waste will be stored in plastic trash bags or other appropriate containers and transferred/disposed of at an authorized facility.

Waste #7: Petroleum Contaminated Soils (PCS) – PCS may be generated from the accidental release of commercial products such as hydraulic fluid, motor oil, unleaded gasoline, or diesel fuel (e.g. from the rupture of hydraulic or fuel hoses, or spills during maintenance, etc.). Absorbent padding, paper towels, spill pillows or other absorbent material used to contain the released material may be added to the PCS waste for storage and disposal. It is estimated that <1 cubic yards of this waste stream will be produced.

Anticipated Regulatory Status: New Mexico Special Waste (NMSW), Hazardous, LLW, MLLW, and Industrial

Characterization Approach: The contaminated soil may either be sampled in-place or after containerization in accordance with SOP-06.10, Hand Auger and Thin-Wall Tube Sampler. If the spill is shallow (in-place sampling) or containers are small, Spade and Scoop Method for Collection of Soil Samples (SOP-06.11) may also be appropriate. The analysis of the samples will be dependent on where the spill occurred:

- If the spill occurred on clean soil, samples will be analyzed for VOCs, total petroleum hydrocarbons (TPH), gasoline-range and diesel-range (DRO/GRO), and total metals, at a minimum. These analytical suites are required to determine whether the waste is NMSW. Other constituents must be analyzed as needed to meet the receiving disposal facility's WAC.
- If the spill occurs on soils with known hazardous contaminants or soils with no available information, samples will be analyzed, at a minimum, for VOCs, SVOCs, total metals, and TCLP metals, if necessary, as well as any analytes needed to meet the WAC of the anticipated receiving treatment or disposal facility. If radioactive or explosives operations occurred in the

vicinity, samples may also need to be analyzed for explosives, gross alpha, gross beta, and isotopic radionuclides, as appropriate.

Samples will be submitted with 21-day turnaround time for analysis so that a waste determination can be made within 45 days of generation.

Storage and Disposal Method: PCS will be stored in clearly marked and appropriately constructed waste accumulation areas. Waste accumulation area postings, regulated storage duration, and inspection requirements will be based on the waste classification.

If the PCS is not contaminated with radioactive or hazardous materials, it will be classified as:

- NMSW PCS if the sum of benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, and xylene isomer concentrations are greater than 50 mg/kg, if benzene individually is equal to or greater than 10 mg/kg (Note: If benzene concentrations are equal to or greater than 0.5 mg/liter, based upon TCLP, it is a hazardous waste, not a NMSW), or if TPH (DRO+GRO) concentration is greater than 100 mg/kg. NMSW will be managed in a registered NMSW area.
- Industrial waste if the contaminant levels are less than the NMSW and/or PCB regulatory levels.

If the PCS is suspect or known hazardous or mixed waste, it will initially be managed in a registered hazardous waste accumulation area until analytical data are available to make a waste determination. If the analytical data show that the waste is radioactive-only, the waste will be managed in a registered, posted radioactive waste staging or storage area. If the analytical data show that the soil is regulated PCB waste, it will be managed in a registered PCB area, hazardous waste accumulation area, or radioactive waste staging or storage area, as appropriate to the final waste classification. The date of generation for NMSW is the date the container is completely full or the date in which no additional NMSW will be added to the container. Do not sample NMSW if additional waste will be added to the container.

All PCS will be treated/disposed at an authorized off-site treatment or disposal facility appropriate to the waste classification.

Waste #8: Drilled-out Concrete Chips and Concrete Slurry- This waste stream consists of concrete chips from drilling out plug used to seal off perched groundwater or stabilize the borehole to facilitate drilling. It is estimated that 30 cubic yards of drilled out concrete chips or concrete slurry may be generated.

Anticipated Regulatory Status: Hazardous, LLW, Solid (Municipal), and Industrial

Characterization Approach: The concrete waste will be characterized based on AK from the MSDS for the cement and/or the surrounding soil. If concrete is generated from within a potential release site (PRS), and AK data/documentation is not available, a total metal analysis will be used to determine if the material can be recycled or reused. Additional sampling may be required depending on contaminants of concern in a PRS or the presence of radionuclides. Representative sample will be taken within 10 days of generation (i.e., date of initial placement into the container) so that a waste determination can be made within 45 days of generation and wastes dispositioned within 90 days, if necessary. Samples will be submitted with a 21-day turnaround time for analyses. ***Storage and Disposal Method:*** Concrete waste will be managed in a roll-off container or other suitable container as nonhazardous, initially. If concrete is not contaminated, it may be sent to the county landfill for reuse, but the waste must have ENV-RCRA approval for release. If it is contaminated, it must be managed as waste and managed appropriately. For concrete generated from within a PRS, analyses for total metal and contaminants associated with the PRS will be conducted to determine if the material can be recycled or reused if AK documentation is not available. Every effort will be made to recycle or reuse these materials, if possible.

Waste #9: Contaminated Stormwater - This waste stream consists of contaminated storm water precipitation collected within a secondary containment unit. If the storm water cannot be released under the current ENV-RCRA discharge policy (See Characterization Strategy, Discharging Containerized

Secondary Containment Storm Water), there are two potential waste management disposition options for which this waste shall be managed.

Waste 9a: Containerize storm water tainted with petroleum or non-hazardous glycol-based coolants (antifreeze) products in DOT approved containers and disposing of drummed liquid as used oil providing it meets the following:

The criteria for recycling oil, used oil, and coolant is as follows:

- Acceptable Oil, Used Oil and Coolant
  - Used and unused petroleum oils
  - Oil filters for Oil filters for non-prohibited oils
  - Non-hazardous glycol-based coolants (antifreeze)
  - Oily water
  - Used and unused synthetic oils
  - Non-hazardous used oil absorbents
  - Mineral Oil

- Unacceptable Oil, Used Oil and Coolant
  - Oil with >1000 ppm halogens (oils mixed with solvents)
  - Freon-contaminated oil
  - Oils containing chlorinated compounds
  - Degreasers containing chlorinated compounds
  - Radiation-contaminated oils
  - Any oils containing >2ppm PCB
  - Hazardous glycol-based coolants (i.e.. those failing TCLP like selenium or other metals)
  - Vegetable and other food oils

Anticipated Regulatory Status: Used Oil for Recycle

Characterization Approach: This waste will be characterized based on AK from the MSDS or direct sampling. A representative sample will be taken within 10 days of generation (i.e., date of initial placement into the container) so that a waste determination can be made within 45 days of generation and wastes dispositioned within 90 days, if necessary. Samples will be submitted with a 21-day turnaround time for analyses.

Storage and Disposal Method: This waste stream will be stored in accordance with the regulatory classification of the waste and disposed of at an authorized treatment, storage, and disposal facility.

Waste 9b: Any containerization of secondary storm waters not otherwise dispositioned in 9a above.

Anticipated Regulatory Status: Hazardous and Industrial

Characterization Approach: This waste will be characterized based on AK from the MSDS or direct sampling. A representative sample will be taken within 10 days of generation (i.e., date of initial placement into the container) so that a waste determination can be made within 45 days of generation and wastes dispositioned within 90 days, if necessary. Samples will be submitted with a 21-day turnaround time for analyses.

Storage and Disposal Method: This waste stream will be stored in accordance with the regulatory classification of the waste and disposed of at an authorized treatment, storage, and disposal facility.

TABLE 1- CHARACTERIZATION TABLE

Waste Description	Waste # 1 Contact Waste	Waste #2 Drill cuttings	Waste #3 Drilling Fluids	Waste #4 Development Water	Waste #5 Decontamination Fluids
Volume	30 cy	80 cy	50,000 gallons	50,000 gallons	500 gallons
Packaging	Roll-off bins	Lined pit or approved containers	Lined pit or approved containers	Approved Containers	Approved Containers
Regulatory Classification					
Radioactive (rad)	X	X	X	X	X
Solid	X	—	—	—	—
Hazardous	X	X	X	X	X
Mixed (hazardous and rad)	X	X	X	X	X
Toxic Substances Control Act	—	—	—	—	—
New Mexico Special Waste	—	—	—	—	—
Industrial	X	X	X	X	—
Sanitary Wastewater	—	—	—	—	X
Characterization Method					
Acceptable knowledge (AK): Existing Data/Documentation	X	—	—	—	X
AK: Site Characterization	—	—	—	—	—
Direct Sampling of Containerized Waste	—	X	X	X	X
Analytical Testing					
Volatile Organic Compounds (EPA 8260-B)	—	X	X	X	X
Semi volatile Organic Compounds (EPA 8270-C)	—	X	X	X	X
Organic Pesticides (EPA 8081-A)	—	X	X	X	X
Organic Herbicides (EPA 8151-A)	—	X	X	X	X
PCBs (EPA 8082)	—	—	X	X	—
Total Metals (EPA 6010-B/7471-A)	—	X	X1	X1	X
Total Cyanide (EPA 9012-A)	—	X	X2	X2	X
General (NO3+NO2, F, Cl, SO4, pH, microtox/COD/TSS/TDS/TTO, Oil and Grease)	—	X (nitrates if land applied)	X	X	X3
Perchlorates	—	X	X	X	X
High Explosives Constituents (EPA 8330/8321-A)	—	—	X	X	—
Asbestos	—	—	—	—	—
BTEX (EPA-8021b)	—	—	—	—	
Tot. pet. hydrocarbon (TPH)-GRO (EPA 8015-M) TPH-DRO (EPA-8015-M)	—	X (if visible stain)	—	—	—
Toxicity characteristic leaching procedure (TCLP) Metals (EPA 1311/6010-B)	—	X	—	—	—
TCLP Organics (EPA 1311/8260-B & 1311/8270-C)	—	—	—	—	—
TCLP Pest. & Herb. (EPA 1311/8081-A/1311/8151-A)	—	—	—	—	—
Radium 226 & 228 (EPA 9320)	—	X	X	X	—
Gross Alpha (alpha counting) (EPA 900)	—	X	X	X	X
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Tritium (liquid scintillation) (EPA 906.0)	—	X4	X4	X4	X4
Gamma spectroscopy (EPA 901.1)	—	—	X	X	X
Isotopic plutonium (chem. separation/alpha spec.) (HASL-300)	—	X	X	X	X
Isotopic uranium (chem. separation/alpha spec.) (HASL-300)	—	X	X	X	X
Total uranium (6020 inductively coupled plasma mass spectroscopy [ICPMS])	—	—	—	—	—
Strontium-90 (EPA 905)	—	X	X	X	—
Americium-241 (Separation/alpha spec.) (HASL-300)	—	X	X	X	—

TABLE 1- CHARACTERIZATION TABLE --CONTINUED

NOTE: Multiple sampling may be required to ensure WAC requirements are met.

Waste Description	Waste #6 Municipal Solid Waste	Waste #7 PCS	Waste #8 Concrete Chips and Concrete Slurry	Waste #9 Contaminated Storm Water	
				Waste 9a Secondary Containment Storm water, managed as Used Oil (recycled)	Waste #9b Secondary Containment Storm water, managed as Other
Volume	2 cy	<1 cy	30 cy	variable	variable
Packaging	Approved Containers	Approved Containers	Approved Containers	Approved Containers	Approved Containers
Probably or potential Regulatory classifications					
Radioactive	—	X	X	—	—
Solid	X	—	X	X (for recycle)	—
Hazardous	—	—	X	—	X
Mixed (hazardous and radioactive)	—	—	—	—	—
Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA)	—	—	—	—	—
New Mexico Special Waste	—	X	—	—	—
Industrial	—	X	X	—	X
Characterization Method					
Acceptable knowledge (AK): Existing Data/Documentation	—	X	X	—	X
AK: Site Characterization	X	X (rad only)	X	—	—
Direct Sampling of Containerized Waste	—	X	X (as needed)	X	X
Analytical Testing					
Volatile Organic Compounds (EPA 8260-B)	—	X	—	X	X
Semivolatile Organic Compounds (EPA 8270-C)	—	X	—	X	X
Organic Pesticides (EPA 8081-A)	—	—	—	—	X
Organic Herbicides (EPA 8151-A)	—	—	—	—	X
PCBs (EPA 8082)	—	X	—	X	—
Total Metals (EPA 6010-B/7471-A)	—	—	X (if required by ENV-RCRA)	X	X
Total Cyanide (EPA 9012-A)	—	X	—	—	X
General (NO3+NO2, F, Cl, SO4, pH, microtox/COD/TSS/TDS/TTO, Oil and Grease)	—	—	—	—	X3
Perchlorates	—	—	—	—	X
High Explosives Constituents (EPA 8330/8321-A)	—	—	—	—	—
Asbestos	—	—	—	—	—
BTEX (EPA-8021b)	—	—	—	—	—
Total petroleum hydrocarbon (TPH)-GRO (EPA 8015-M) TPH-DRO (EPA 8015-M)	—	X	—	X	—
TCLP Metals (EPA 1311/6010-B)	—	X	—	—	—
TCLP Organics (EPA 1311/8260-B & 1311/8270-C)	—	X	—	—	—
TCLP Pest. & Herb. (EPA 1311/8081-A/1311/8151-A)	—	X	—	—	—
Radium 226 & 228 (EPA 9320)	—	—	—	—	—
Gross Alpha (alpha counting) (EPA 900)	—	X	—	—	—
Gross Beta (beta counting) (EPA 900)	—	X	—	—	—
Tritium (liquid scintillation) (EPA 906.0)	—	X4	—	—	—
Gamma spectroscopy (EPA 901.1)	—	X	—	—	—
Isotopic plutonium (chem.. Separation/alpha spec.) (HASL-300)	—	X	—	—	—
Isotopic uranium (chem.. Separation/alpha spec.) (HASL-300)	—	X	—	—	—
Total uranium (6020 inductively coupled plasma mass spectroscopy [ICPMS])	—	—	—	—	—
Strontium-90 (EPA 905)	—	X	—	—	—
Americium-241 (chem. Separation/alpha spec.) (HASL-300)	—	X	—	—	—

1-FILTERED METALS REQUIRED FOR LAND APPLICATION (EXCEPT HG)
2-FILTERED CYANIDE FOR LAND APPLICATION
3-ANALYZE FOR MICROTOX//COD/TSS/TDS/Oil and Grease and pH for SWWS Plant, include TOC , Total Nitrogen, and Total Nitrates for RLWTF. Note: If LANL does not have an available Microtox Analysis facility to handle the Microtox analysis, this analysis may not be required and may be accepted by the SWWS sanitary wastewater plant on a case-by-case basis.
4-TRITIUM ANALYSIS: Request TRITIUM ANALYSIS, H3 not LLH3, with a 30 DAY TURNAROUND.

Note: Section 1.2 of the TCLP method 1311 states "If a total analysis of the waste demonstrates that individual analytes are not present in the waste, or that they are present but at such low concentrations that the appropriate regulatory levels could not possibly be exceeded, the TCLP need not be run." The methodology for using total waste analyses determination for the 40 TC constituents is as follows;

> **Liquids – Wastes containing less than 0.5% filterable solids do not require extraction and therefore by filtering the waste and measuring the total constituent levels of the filtrate and comparing those levels to regulatory levels is appropriate.**
>
> **Solids – Constituent concentrations from the extraction fluid of wastes that are 100% physical solids are divided by 20 (reflecting the 20 to 1 ratio of TCLP extraction) and then compared to the regulatory levels. If the theoretical levels do not equal or exceed the regulatory levels, the TCLP need not be run. If the levels do equal or exceed the regulatory levels, the generator may either declare the waste hazardous or run TCLP analyses**

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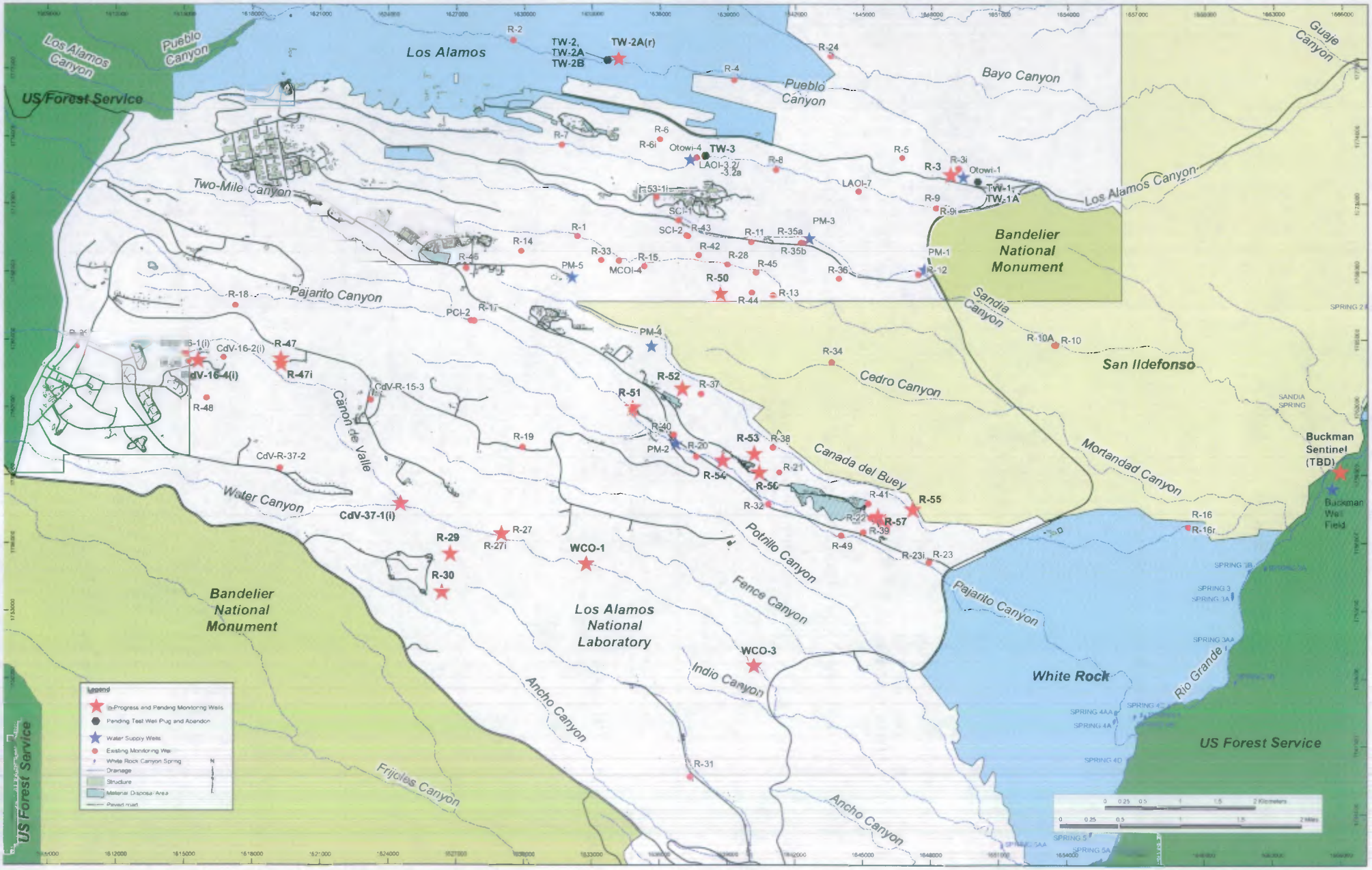

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White Rock Canyon Spring
Drainage
Structure
Material Disposal Area
Paved road

Attachment 1: LANL LIQUID DISCHARGE FORM

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LOCATION: TA: _____ **BLDG:** _____

FIRE HYDRANT / PIPE / MANHOLE / TRANSFORMER /OTHER #: _____

USER GROUP: _____ **CONTACT PERSON:** _____

PHONE: _____ **PAGER:** _____

PERSON CONDUCTING SECONDARY CONTAINMENT DRAINAGE ACTIVITY: _____

DATE and TIME of DISCHARGE: _____ / _____

DURATION of DISCHARGE: _____ / _____

ENV-RCRA CONTACT: **Mark Haagenstad, 665-2014** **Please FAX to 665-9344**

or Jacob Meadows, 606-0185

DESCRIPTION of DISCHARGE: _____

VOLUME of DISCHARGE: _____

CANYON AFFECTED: _____

SAMPLES TAKEN: **YES:** _____ **NO:** _____

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