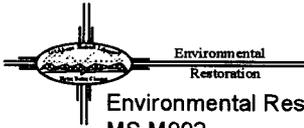


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SUBJECT: REVISED CANYONS FOCUS AREA SAMPLING ACTIVITIES AT TA-18

Dear Mr. Garcia:

As a result of recent conversations with New Mexico Environment Department Hazardous and Radioactive Materials Bureau (HRMB) staff, the sampling schedule for the Technical Area (TA) 18 baseline alluvial monitoring wells in Pajarito and Three Mile Canyons and TA-18 Spring in Three Mile Canyon will be deferred to a later date. This deferral pertains to the initial notification for sampling activities dated January 23, 1998. The revised sampling date and strategy will be determined following technical discussions with HRMB staff. The target for the revised sampling schedule is the latter part of February or the early part of March. Los Alamos National Laboratory will provide your office with the required 10-day notification prior to initiating this revised work.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to give me a call at (505) 667-0819.

Sincerely,

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