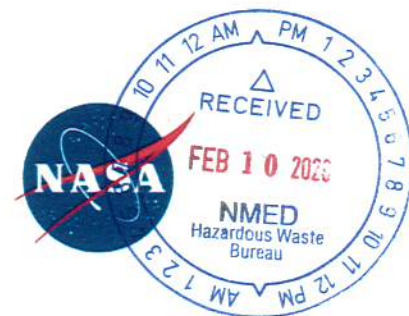


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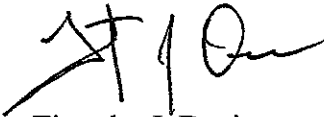
Subject: Third Request for Extension of Time for BLM-42 and PL-12 Well Completion Reports

On September 10, 2018, NMED approved NASA's December 27, 2017 *Work Plan for Abandonment of NASA WSTF Well PL-5 and Replacement with Monitoring Well PL-12* and January 30, 2018 *Work Plan for Abandonment of NASA WSTF Monitoring Well BLM-37 and Replacement with Monitoring Well BLM-42*. NMED directed NASA to install the monitoring wells and submit well completion reports no later than June 28, 2019. NASA experienced several short delays during the project planning and procurement process that postponed initiation of fieldwork to late May 2019, resulting in the June 18, 2019 *Request for Extension of Time for BLM-42 and PL-12 Completion Reports*, which NMED approved on June 21, 2019. Between May 29 and August 15, 2019 NASA's subcontracted drilling company successfully drilled, installed, and developed new monitoring wells BLM-42 and PL-12 as summarized in the May through August 2019 Monthly Environmental Activity Reports. Following well development, which provided necessary information on well performance, NASA initiated efforts to procure the required groundwater sampling systems. On September 25, 2019, NASA submitted a *Second Request for Extension of Time for BLM-42 and PL-12* to complete the required competitive procurement, acquire and install sampling systems, collect initial groundwater samples from both wells, and receive and evaluate analytical data for inclusion in the required well completion reports. The second request for extension of time was approved by the NMED on October 11, 2019 and the due date was extended to February 28, 2020.

The off-site vendors contracted to provide the dedicated groundwater sampling systems experienced additional delays in obtaining the specialized material necessary to fabricate the inflatable packers for inclusion in the sampling systems. NASA received the sampling systems with packers on January 27, 2020 and has begun installation. NASA requires additional time to complete installation of the sampling systems, collect initial groundwater samples from both monitoring wells, and receive and evaluate analytical data for inclusion in the required well completion reports. To complete these required activities, NASA requests an extension of time for submittal of BLM-42 and PL-12 well completion reports from the current due date of February 28, 2020 to April 30, 2020.

I certify under penalty of law that this document and all attachments were prepared under my direction or supervision in accordance with a system designed to assure that qualified personnel properly gather and evaluate the information submitted. Based on my inquiry of the person or persons who manage the system, or those persons directly responsible for gathering the information, the information submitted is, to the best of my knowledge and belief, true, accurate, and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fine and imprisonment for knowing violations.

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