

**LEWIS AND CLARK COUNTY
REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS
ARCHITECTURAL, GRANT, & CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SERVICES
FOR LINCOLN PUBLIC SAFETY AND EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER
ADDENDUM 2 – DEQ CLOSURE OF PETROLEUM RELEASE LETTER**

Addendum 1 to this solicitation contained the following question and response:

Question: We understand the site may have had environmental remediation in the past. Can you share any available documentation regarding previous cleanup efforts and whether additional environmental investigation is anticipated?

Response: An inquiry was made to the Montana Department of Environmental Quality regarding past remediation activities at the proposed site, but a response was not received by the date of this posting. Additional environmental investigation for the proposed site may be necessary.

Lewis and Clark County has since received a response from the Montana Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) indicating that 106 Stemple Pass Road has a resolved/closed petroleum release dating back to 2016. Documentation of DEQ's determination is attached to this addendum.

End of Addendum



August 17, 2016

Mr. Chris Waits
3778 Stemple Pass Road
Lincoln, MT 59639

Re: No Further Corrective Action Required for the Petroleum Release at Chris' Repair, 106 Stemple Pass Road, Lincoln, Lewis and Clark County, Montana; Facility ID 25-00257, Release 1907

Dear Mr. Waits:

The DEQ has reviewed information associated with the petroleum release at the above-referenced location. Based on that information, we have determined that all appropriate corrective actions have been completed for Release 1907. The release is now considered resolved under Montana legal requirements.¹

The petroleum release was reported to us on October 28, 1993, when it was found that contaminated soils existed beneath the former tank basin. The resolved status is based on the following completed remedial actions and information:

- About 20 cubic yards of stained soil was excavated from the tank basin in July 21, 1993.
- On August 4, 1993, the Lewis and Clark County Health Department collected a groundwater sample from the bottom of the excavation at the western excavation. The results of the groundwater sample were below DEQ risk based screening levels.
- The USTs were empty and in good condition. The release had to occur due to overfill of the tanks.
- Leaching of hydrocarbons from the petroleum-impacted soil to the aquifer is improbably based on the removal of contaminated soils, age of release and the results of the groundwater sample taken at 4.5 feet bgs at the excavation was below DEQ risk based screening levels.
- The 20 cubic yards of excavated soils were disposed of at a property off of Stemple Pass Road and McLennan Creek Road for land farming in Lincoln. According to Mr. Waits the excavated soils do not have an odor and grass has been growing on it for years.
- Residual soil contamination has been naturally attenuating for 21 years.
- Soil excavation has limited the impact area of the diesel release.
- On February 11, 2016, three soil borings/wells were installed using direct-push technology (Geoprobe). Six soil samples and three groundwater samples were

¹ Administrative Rules of Montana (ARM) 17.56.607(4)

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collected from the borings. The six soil samples and three groundwater samples were below the risk-based screening levels (RBSL's).

- Based on the analytical results, groundwater is not impacted by petroleum contamination and therefore presents no risk to human health or environment.

This letter addresses only the closure of the subject release and does not address other environmental conditions that may exist at current or former petroleum storage tank systems or other facility areas that have not been specifically investigated. You may still be responsible for any damages yet to be identified resulting from leaks, spills, or improper closure of the tank(s).

The resolved release may be re-activated if DEQ receives information that further corrective action is necessary. We will maintain your release file so that if you need any information in the future, or new problems with the facility arise, your file is easily accessible. If you still have outstanding permit requirements, or you owe fees, the Waste and Underground Tank Management Bureau will contact you directly.

If you have filed a claim with the Petroleum Tank Release Compensation Board (PTRCB) for reimbursement of expenses related to this release, you must contact them directly with questions regarding such reimbursement. DEQ does not handle any PTRCB claims.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (406) 444-6584. We appreciate your cooperation in remediating the issues associated with this release.

Sincerely,



Donnie McCurry
Environmental Science Specialist
Petroleum Tank Cleanup Section

cc: Frank Preskar, Lewis & Clark County Sanitarian,
Release 1907, Doc ID 193902