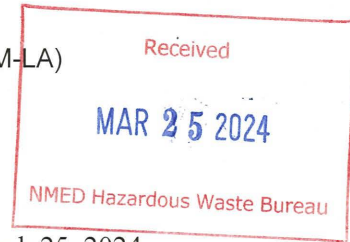




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Subject: Transmittal of Updated Fiscal Year 2024 Appendix B to the 2016 Compliance Order on Consent

Dear Mr. Shean:

Pursuant to Section VIII.C of the 2016 Compliance Order on Consent (Consent Order), the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) and the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) have agreed to updates to Appendix B for fiscal year (FY) 2024. Please note that Appendix B Milestones for FY 2024 and Targets for FY 2025 and FY 2026 are subject to DOE receiving appropriate funding. This serves as DOE's transmittal of the mutually agreed upon FY 2024 updates (see enclosure). The estimated completion date for all work under the Consent Order remains 2036.

We want to thank you and your staff for your cooperation during this process, and we look forward to a successful execution of program activities and to fulfilling our commitments for FY 2024, as outlined in Appendix B. If you have any questions, please contact Arturo Duran at (575) 373-5966 (arturo.duran@em.doe.gov).

Sincerely,

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1. Appendix B Milestones and Targets

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	Chromium IM & Characterization RDX Characterization MDAs-A & -T Remedy MDA-C Remedy MDA-H Remedy MDAs-G & -L Remedy	1	Interim Facility-Wide Groundwater Monitoring Plan (IFGMP) for MY 2025 (October 2024–September 2025)	Annual update to the groundwater monitoring program baseline document with adjustments to sampling, monitoring groups, analytes, and frequencies based on previous results.	6/28/2024	Interim Facility-Wide Groundwater Monitoring Plan (IFGMP) for MY 2026 (October 2025–September 2026)	Annual update to the groundwater monitoring program baseline document with adjustments to sampling, monitoring groups, analytes, and frequencies based on previous results.	6/30/2025	Interim Facility-Wide Groundwater Monitoring Plan (IFGMP) for MY 2027 (October 2026–September 2027)	Annual update to the groundwater monitoring program baseline document with adjustments to sampling, monitoring groups, analytes, and frequencies based on previous results.	6/30/2026
Chromium IM & Characterization - in progress	Chromium IM & Characterization	2	Annual Progress Report on Chromium Interim Measure and Characterization	This progress report summarizes the data collected from performance monitoring wells, operational activities, and analysis of performance of the IM with respect to the plume control objective. This report will cover the period April 1, 2023 to March 31, 2024.	6/28/2024	Annual Progress Report on Chromium Interim Measure and Characterization	This progress report summarizes the data collected from performance monitoring wells, operational activities, and analysis of performance of the IM with respect to the plume control objective. This report will cover the period April 1, 2024–March 31, 2025.	6/30/2025	Annual Progress Report on Chromium Interim Measure and Characterization	This progress report summarizes the data collected from performance monitoring wells, operational activities, and analysis of performance of the IM with respect to the plume control objective. This report will cover the period April 1, 2025–March 31, 2026.	6/30/2026
	Chromium IM & Characterization										
	Chromium IM & Characterization	3	Letter Report Documenting Completion of Regional Aquifer Monitoring Well R-76 and Collection of First Samples	Well R-76 will replace Well R-28 for chromium plume characterization and monitoring. Well R-76 will be located approximately 150-ft northwest of Well R-28. The deliverable is a letter to NMED documenting completion of the well and collection of first samples.	9/30/2024 <sup>a</sup>						
	Chromium IM & Characterization										
	Chromium IM & Characterization	4	Drilling Work Plan for Regional Aquifer Monitoring Well R-79, Revision 1	Well R-79 is a characterization and monitoring well at the approximate depth of Well R-70 screen 2. The deliverable will be a Drilling Work Plan for the Regional Aquifer Monitoring Well.	10/31/2023	Letter Report Documenting Completion of Regional Aquifer Monitoring Well R-79 and Collection of First Samples.	Well R-79 is a characterization and monitoring well at the approximate depth of R-70 screen 2. The deliverable is a letter to NMED documenting completion of the well and collection of first samples.	3/31/2025 <sup>a</sup>			
	Chromium IM & Characterization	5	Drilling Work Plan for Regional Aquifer Monitoring Well SIMR-3	Well SIMR-3 is a characterization and monitoring well on Pueblo de San Ildefonso property. The deliverable is a Drilling Work Plan for Well SIMR-3.	10/31/2023						

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	Chromium IM & Characterization										
	Chromium IM & Characterization	6	Drilling Work Plan for Regional Aquifer Monitoring Well R-80, Revision 1	Drilling work plan for monitoring well R-80. Well R-80 is a characterization and monitoring well for vertical and lateral extent of the chromium plume along the eastern plume edge, halfway between wells R-70 and R-13 (east/southeast of R-45).	6/27/2024	Letter Report Documenting Completion of Regional Aquifer Monitoring Well R-80 and Collection of First Samples	Well R-80 is a characterization and monitoring well for vertical and lateral extent of the chromium plume along the eastern plume edge, halfway between wells R-70 and R-13 (east/southeast of R-45). The deliverable is a letter to NMED documenting completion of the well and collection of first samples.	3/28/2025 <sup>a</sup>			
	Chromium IM & Characterization	7	Drilling Work Plan for Regional Aquifer Monitoring Well R-77, Revision 2	Well R-77 is a characterization and monitoring well for vertical extent at a revised location. The deliverable will be a Drilling Work Plan for the Regional Aquifer Monitoring Well.	3/29/2024	Letter Report Documenting Completion of Regional Aquifer Monitoring Well R-77 and Collection of First Samples	Well R-77 is a characterization and monitoring well for vertical extent at a revised Well R-77 location. The deliverable is a letter to NMED documenting completion of the well and collection of the first samples.	6/30/2025 <sup>a</sup>			
	Chromium IM & Characterization					Drilling Work Plan for Regional Aquifer Monitoring Well R-81	Well R-81 is a characterization and monitoring well to identify the lower boundary of the chromium plume into the Chamita Formation. The deliverable will be a Drilling Work Plan for Well R-81.	11/1/2024			
	Chromium IM & Characterization					Letter Report Documenting Completion of Regional Aquifer Monitoring Well R-81 and Collection of First Samples	Well R-81 deeper well screen to be installed to identify the lower boundary of the chromium plume. The deliverable is a letter to NMED documenting completion of the well and collection of the first samples.	9/30/2025 <sup>a</sup>			
	Chromium IM & Characterization	8	Drilling Work Plan for Regional Aquifer Monitoring Well R-73R	Well R-73R is a characterization and monitoring well for the replacement of R-73. The deliverable will be a Drilling Work Plan for Well R-73R.	9/30/2024				Letter Report Documenting Completion of Regional Aquifer Monitoring Well R-73R and Collection of First Samples	Well R-73R is a characterization and monitoring well for the replacement of R-73. The deliverable is a letter to NMED documenting completion of the well and collection of the first samples.	1/30/2026 <sup>a</sup>
Chromium Final Remedy Campaign - not started	Chromium Remedy					Drilling Work Plan for Regional Aquifer Monitoring Well R-82	Well R-82 is a characterization and monitoring well for the chromium plume. The deliverable will be a Drilling Work Plan for Well R-82.	11/15/2025	Letter Report Documenting Completion of Regional Aquifer Monitoring Well R-82 and Collection of First Samples	Well R-82 is a characterization and monitoring well for the chromium plume. The deliverable is a letter to NMED documenting completion of the well and collection of the first samples.	4/30/2026 <sup>a</sup>
Historical Properties Completion - in progress	Historical Properties Completion										
RDX Characterization - in progress	RDX Characterization								Letter Report Documenting Completion of Regional Aquifer Monitoring Well R-74 and Collection of First Samples	Well R-74 is a characterization and monitoring well for the vertical extent of RDX contamination downgradient of the Technical Area 16 260 outfall, between Wells R-69 and R-18. The deliverable is a letter to NMED documenting completion of the well and collection of the first samples.	6/30/2026 <sup>a</sup>
	RDX Characterization					Drilling Work Plan for Regional Aquifer Monitoring Well R-75	Well R-75 is a characterization and monitoring well for lateral extent of RDX contamination in the region to the northeast of Technical Area-16. The deliverable is a Drilling Work Plan for Well R-75.	9/30/2025			

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RDX Remedy - not started	RDX Remedy										
Supplemental Investigation Reports - in progress	Supplemental Investigation Reports		Campaign will be complete after NMED issues Certificates of Completion for the 142 SWMUs/AOCs that DOE has requested.								
TA-21 D&D and Cleanup - in progress	TA-21 D&D and Cleanup - DP Site Aggregate Area										
Known Cleanup Sites (Above SSLs) - completed	Known Cleanup Sites (Above SSLs)		Campaign Completed								
MDAs-A & -T Remedy - in progress	MDAs-A & -T Remedy	9	Investigation Report for Material Disposal Area A, at Technical Area 21	Investigation report and the requisite risk assessment of the fieldwork completed for Material Disposal Area A.	9/30/2024	Corrective Measures Evaluation ("CME") Report for Material Disposal Area A, at Technical Area 21	The CME Report will identify, develop, and evaluate potential corrective measures alternatives for removal, containment, and/or treatment of contamination at MDA A and will include a preferred alternative for remediation.	9/30/2025			
	MDAs-A & -T Remedy					Investigation Report for Material Disposal Area T, at Technical Area 21	Investigation report and the requisite risk assessment of the fieldwork completed for Material Disposal Area T.	9/30/2025			
Southern External Boundary - in progress	Southern External Boundary - North Ancho Canyon Aggregate Area										
	Southern External Boundary - Potrillo and Fence Canyons Aggregate Area	10	Potrillo and Fence Canyons Aggregate Area Progress Report	Progress report summarizing the fieldwork implementation and status of Potrillo and Fence Canyons Aggregate Area.	9/30/2024	Phase II Investigation Report for Potrillo and Fence Canyons Aggregate Area	Phase II investigation report and requisite risk assessment of the field work completed for the Potrillo and Fence Canyons Aggregate Area.	6/30/2025			
MDA-C Remedy - in progress	MDA-C Remedy										
Sandia Canyon Watershed - not started	Sandia Canyon Watershed								Phase II Investigation Work Plan for Lower Sandia Canyon Aggregate Area	The investigation work plan will identify and describe the activities needed to complete the investigation of Lower Sandia Canyon Aggregate Area.	1/30/2026
	Pajarito Watershed - Twomile Canyon	11	Investigation Report for Twomile Canyon Aggregate Area	Investigation report and requisite risk assessment of the field work completed	9/30/2024						

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Pajarito Watershed - progress	Pajarito Watershed - Threemile Canyon Aggregate Area										
	Pajarito Watershed - Starmer/Upper Pajarito Canyon Aggregate Area	12	Starmer/Upper Pajarito Canyon Aggregate Area Progress Report	Progress report summarizing the fieldwork implementation and status of site investigations of Starmer/Upper Pajarito Canyon Aggregate Area.	9/30/2024	Investigation Report for Starmer/Upper Pajarito Canyon Aggregate Area	Investigation report and requisite risk assessment of the fieldwork completed for Starmer/Upper Pajarito Canyon Aggregate Area.	6/27/2025			
	Pajarito Watershed - Lower Pajarito Canyon Aggregate Area	13	Lower Pajarito Canyon Aggregate Area Progress Report	Progress report summarizing the fieldwork implementation and status of site investigations in Lower Pajarito Canyon Aggregate Area.	9/30/2024	Investigation Report for Lower Pajarito Canyon Aggregate Area	Investigation report and requisite risk assessment of the fieldwork completed for Lower Pajarito Canyon Aggregate Area.	9/30/2025			
Upper Water Watershed - not started	Upper Water Watershed - Cañon de Valle, Technical Area-15					Cañon de Valle Aggregate Area, Technical Area 15 Progress Report	Progress report summarizing the fieldwork implementation and status of site investigations in Cañon de Valle Technical Area-15 Aggregate Area.	9/30/2025	Investigation Report for Cañon de Valle Aggregate Area, Technical Area 15	Investigation report and requisite risk assessment of the field work completed for Cañon de Valle Aggregate Area, Technical Area 15.	9/30/2026
	Upper Water Watershed - Cañon de Valle, Technical Area 16								Cañon de Valle Aggregate Area, Technical Area 16 Progress Report	Progress report summarizing the fieldwork implementation and status of site investigations in Cañon de Valle Aggregate Area, Technical Area 16.	9/30/2026
	Upper Water Watershed - S-Site	14	Phase II Investigation Work Plan for S-Site Aggregate Area, Revision 1	The investigation work plan will identify and describe the activities needed to complete the investigation of S-Site Aggregate Area.	6/30/2024	Phase II Investigation Report for S-Site Aggregate Area	Phase II investigation report and requisite risk assessment of the fieldwork completed for S-Site Aggregate Area.	9/30/2025			
MDA-AB Remedy - not started	MDA-AB Remedy								Corrective Measures Evaluation ("CME") Report for Material Disposal Area AB, at Technical Area 49.	The CME Report will identify, develop, and evaluate potential corrective measures alternatives for removal, containment, and/or treatment of contamination at MDA AB and will include a preferred alternative for remediation.	3/31/2026
MDA-H Remedy - not started	MDA-H Remedy								Corrective Measures Implementation Plan for Material Disposal Area H, Solid Waste Management Unit 54-004, at Technical Area 54.	The implementation plan provides a remedy design for field implementation at Material Disposal Area H.	12/15/2025
MDAs-G & -L Remedies - in progress	MDAs-G & -L Remedies										
	MDAs-G & -L Remedies										
	MDAs-G & -L Remedies	15	Periodic Monitoring Report for 2023 Vapor-Sampling and Soil-Vapor Extraction (SVE) at Material Disposal Area L, Solid Waste Management Unit 54-006, at Technical Area 54	The report summarizes vapor-phase volatile organic compound ("VOC") sampling data from the previous year's semiannual sampling conducted at MDA L, including a summary of SVE system operations.	5/30/2024	Periodic Monitoring Report for 2024 Vapor-Sampling and Soil-Vapor Extraction (SVE) at Material Disposal Area L, Solid Waste Management Unit 54-006, at Technical Area 54	The report summarizes vapor-phase volatile organic compound (VOC) sampling data from the previous year's semiannual sampling conducted at MDA L, including a summary of SVE system operations.	5/30/2025	Periodic Monitoring Report for 2025 Vapor-Sampling and Soil-Vapor Extraction (SVE) at Material Disposal Area L, Solid Waste Management Unit 54-006, at Technical Area 54	The report summarizes vapor-phase volatile organic compound (VOC) sampling data from the previous year's semiannual sampling conducted at MDA L, including a summary of SVE system operations.	5/29/2026
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