

STATE OF NEVADA

Department of Conservation & Natural Resources DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION Jim Gibbons, Governor Allen Biaggi, Director

Leo M. Drozdoff, P.E., Administrator

at 13:

July 27, 2010

Matt Paque Tronox LLC PO BOX 268859 Oklahoma City, OK 73134

Re: Tronox LLC (TRX) NDEP Facility ID #H-000539 Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP) Response to: *REVISED Hydrogeologic Modeling Work Plan, Tronox LLC Henderson, Nevada* Dated: June 7, 2010

Dear Mr. Paque,

The NDEP has received and reviewed TRX's above-identified Deliverable and finds that the document is acceptable with the following comments noted for the Administrative Record:

- 1. Section 2.1.2, page 4, 5th bullet, TRX should note that POSSM also injects treated groundwater from the GWTS.
- Section 5.4.3.2, page 15, last sentence of section, this would be the preferred alternative because it involves fewer assumptions.
- Figure 3. The schematic CSM indicates "minimal impact" to groundwater. TRX should note that there is neither a human health nor ecological risk assessment to support this conclusion.
- 4. The NDEP recommends interim Deliverables to avoid delays at the end of the modeling effort caused by re-doing model development and/or calibration tasks. (For example the following Milestone reviews could be conducted: Conclusion of Conceptual Model Development, Completion of Flow Model, etc.)

Please contact the undersigned with any questions at sharbour@ndep.nv.gov or 775-687-9332.

Sincerely,

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