

### **MEMO**

Subject

Date October 7, 2019

To Nevada Environmental Response Trust

From John Pekala, Scott Warner, and Chris Ritchie

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United States Environmental Protection Agency
Las Vegas Wash ZVI-Enhanced Bioremediation Treatability

**Study Monthly Progress Report** 

#### **TASK PROGRESS UPDATE: AUGUST 2019**

At the direction of the Nevada Environmental Response Trust (NERT or Trust), Ramboll US Corporation (Ramboll) has prepared this memorandum which summarizes Ramboll's progress during August 2019 toward successfully implementing the Las Vegas Wash Zero-Valent Iron (ZVI)-Enhanced Bioremediation Treatability Study, formerly known as the Galleria Drive ZVI-Enhanced Bioremediation Treatability Study. Treatability study laboratory testing is performed at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV) via subcontract with Ramboll on behalf of NERT.

## TASK M18 – LAS VEGAS WASH ZVI-ENHANCED BIOREMEDIATION TREATABILITY STUDY

- Task Leaders Scott Warner / Chris Ritchie
- Current Status
  - Phase 1 of the treatability study was completed in June. Phase 2 (design and implementation of a field test) is on hold pending submission of a treatability study modification as described in more detail in the following sections.
  - As previously reported, the Trust indicated uncertainty with respect to land ownership of BRC-owned parcels along Galleria Drive due to developer interest. After evaluating various candidate locations for the relocation of Phase 2 of the treatability study, the proposed field test site has been been relocated to the area previously designated as Las Vegas Wash Transect 1A. Due to this change, this treatability study is now termed the Las Vegas Wash ZVI-Enhanced Bioremediation Treatability Study.
  - A modification to the treatability study work plan (Treatability/Pilot Study Modification No. 9) is currently being prepared to: (1) conduct limited characterization activities in Transect 1A to address pre-design data gaps; and (2) perform additional streamlined and limited bench-scale testing to evaluate the performance of ZVI under subsurface biogeochemical conditions unique to Transect 1A.
- Schedule and Progress Updates
  - A modification to the treatability study work plan is anticipated to be submitted in October 2019.

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- Pending approval and completion of the modification, a work plan addendum is anticipated to be submitted in early second quarter 2020 to present Phase 1 field and laboratory / bench scale data and Phase 2 details of the treatability study.
- Health and Safety
  - There were no safety incidents during August 2019.



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#### Responsible Certified Environmental Manager (CEM) for this project

I hereby certify that I am responsible for the services described in this document and for the preparation of this document. The services described in this document have been provided in a manner consistent with the current standards of the profession and, to the best of my knowledge, comply with all applicable federal, state and local statutes, regulations and ordinances.

John M. Pekala, PG Principal Date

October 7, 2019

Certified Environmental Manager Ramboll US Corporation

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