



NEVADA DIVISION OF
**ENVIRONMENTAL
PROTECTION**

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May 14, 2018

Jay A. Steinberg
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Re: **Tronox LLC (TRX) Facility**
Nevada Environmental Response Trust (Trust) Property
NDEP Facility ID #H-000539
Nevada Division of Environmental Protection (NDEP) Response to: *In-Situ*
Bioelectrochemical Laboratory-Scale Treatability Study Work Plan

Dated: May 7, 2018

Dear Mr. Steinberg,

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

1. The two reactions types of series—oxidation and reduction of contaminants are central to the concept of this proposed bioelectrochemical laboratory-scale treatability study. These reactions create potential for in-situ treatment of perchlorate, chlorate, hexavalent chromium and chloroform of the area under Unit Buildings 4 and 5 at the same time. Several references that were cited in this work plan confirmed that the bioelectrochemical method has reduced high perchlorate concentration of 50 to 90 mg/l to low perchlorate concentration at a shorter time compared to the biochemical degradation (with addition of substrate). NDEP suggests performing a similar study for the groundwater and soils from Unit Buildings 4 and 5 area if initial successful results from this proposed study are obtained.

Please contact the undersigned with any questions at wdong@ndep.nv.gov or 702-486-2850 x252.

Sincerely,

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