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Hi Wes and Dan,

We wanted to update you on the remediation plans that were scheduled to begin the middle of June of this year.

As you may be aware we submitted applications for DEQ 1200C, USACE and DSL permits back in the spring. Due to various agency delays and changes in the permits required, we were told that we needed to submit additional information to obtain a 401c permit, Those submittals were sent in promptly and have been actively under review. We were told DSL had staffing issues and the process stalled. We just received the 401c permit on 8/9/2024.

With all of the delays in permitting, we are unable to start this project this season. The contractor could not assure us that the proper compaction and sealing of the cap be thoroughly completed starting this late in the season. There is too big of a risk to open up the areas of contamination and have washing and erosion (due to fall rains), that could potentially cause those soils to migrate offsite into neighboring properties or into Bear Creek.

We have all the pieces in place including the contractor, and (once we get the final DSL and USACE permits) to start this project when the rains let up in late spring of 2025. That would give us 4-5 (dry) months to complete the extensive tasks for this remediation project.

Please let us know if you have any questions. We are committed on completing this project and really want to get this site in a no further action state in 2025.

Thanks,

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