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**Re: Approval letter for the Butte Priority Soils Operable Unit (BPSOU) Draft Final 2024
Helehan Borrow Material Submittal #2 (dated March 12, 2024)**

Dear Mike:

The U. S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), in consultation with the Montana Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), is approving the *Butte Priority Soils Operable Unit (BPSOU) Draft Final 2024 Helehan Borrow Submittal #2 (dated March 12, 2024)*. Please address the following comments and distribute this report as final.

1. Sample # 23-RMAP Helehan-4: Lead and zinc have different values listed in Table 2 of the main report and in Appendix B Butte Hill Cover Soil Submittal form. *Please verify and update accordingly in the final submittal.*
2. Two exceedances for electrical conductivity exist for samples 24-RMAP-Helehan 6 and 24-RMAP-Helehan 7. *Please ensure mixing will occur for a more uniform soil composition and document this action appropriately.*

If you have any questions or concerns, please call me at (406) 457-5021.

Sincerely,

Molly Roby
Remedial Project Manager

Attachments: Butte Hill Cover Soil EPA and DEQ signature pages (electronic version only)

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