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Re: Approval letter for the Butte Priority Soils Operable Unit (BPSOU) Draft Final Insufficiently Reclaimed Sites – Field Sampling Plan (FSP) BRES No. 37 – Josephine Shaft (dated July 20, 2022)

Dear Mike:

The U. S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), in consultation with the Montana Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), is approving the *Draft Final Insufficiently Reclaimed Sites – Field Sampling Plan (FSP) BRES No. 37 – Josephine Shaft (dated July 20, 2022).* Please update the submittal table on page 2 and 3 with appropriate approval dates as a majority of the FSPs have been approved by agencies. It is EPA's expectation that this correction will be made prior to final distribution of this FSP. Please attach the Insufficiently Reclaimed Sites quality assurance project plan (QAPP) and Unreclaimed Sites QAPP and distribute this FSP as final once the corrections have been addressed.

If you have any questions or concerns, please call me at (406) 457-5019.

Sincerely,

Nikia Greene Remedial Project Manager

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