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## Letter Report

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Subject: Caselton Wash Monitoring Well CM-MW-2

### Dear Ms. Lewis

In 2017, Brown and Caldwell oversaw the drilling and installation of an alluvial groundwater monitoring well pursuant to the *Caselton Wash Tailings (OU-5) Characterization Work Plan*<sup>1</sup> (OU-5 Work Plan) activities on behalf of the Greenfield Environmental Multistate Trust, LLC. The work was conducted for the purpose of determining what, if any, impacts have occurred to the alluvial groundwater aquifer in the vicinity of the OU-5 Off-Site Tailings in the Caselton Wash.

During drilling, alluvial groundwater was encountered at the CM-MW-2 location at a depth of 328 feet below ground surface (bgs), and a well was constructed with a 2-inch diameter schedule-80 polyvinyl chloride (PVC) casing and a 10-foot screen interval (0.02-inch slot size with 10/20 mesh silica sand) in accordance with Nevada Department of Water Resources (NDWR) requirements. Figure 1 displays the well construction diagram. Forty-eight hours following well development, an initial groundwater sample from CM-MW-2 was collected on October 20, 2017 via low-flow, minimal drawdown purge and sample method using a dedicated bladder pump. The intake of the pump was placed at 333 feet bgs, in the middle of the screened interval and 5 feet below static water level encountered during drilling. Because of the anticipated depth to water of more than 300 feet bgs, a high pressure nitrogen gas cylinder was used to actuate the bladder pump. Results of the initial groundwater sample collection are summarized in the Caselton Wash Tailings (OU-5) Characterization Field Data Summary Report.<sup>2</sup>

Brown and Caldwell travelled to the Site in March 2018, and again in November 2018, to sample CM-MW-2 for the required semi-annual monitoring. During the March sampling event, groundwater was not detected above the top of the pump at 330 feet bgs and a sample was not collected. During the November sampling event, again groundwater was not encountered above the top of the installed pump. The additional

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Brown and Caldwell, 2017. *Caselton Wash Tailings (OU-5) Characterization Work Plan.* Prepared for Greenfield Environmental Multistate Trust, LLC, June 15.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Brown and Caldwell, 2017. Caselton Wash Tailings (OU-5) Characterization Field Data Summary Report. Prepared for Greenfield Environmental Multistate Trust, LLC, December 12.

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step of removing the pump from the well was completed and the water level sounder was again lowered again into the well. No groundwater was encountered and the bottom of the well sump was tagged and mud was observed on the sounder probe confirming there was no water in the well to a total depth of 343 feet bgs. Copies of field notes and field sampling forms are provided in Attachment 1.

Future semi-annual sampling events are planned for April and October 2019. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me.

Very truly yours,

# **Brown and Caldwell**

Penny Bassett

Penny Bassett, Project Manager

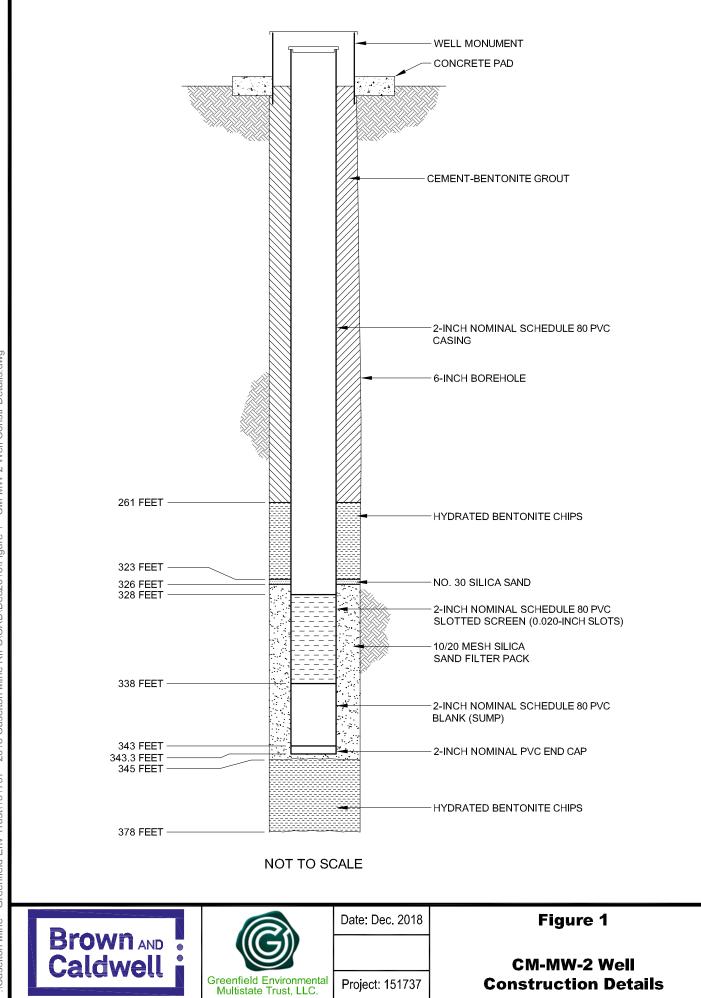
## Attachments

- Figure 1 CM-MW-2 Well Construction Details
- Attachment A Field Documentation

Copy: Jeryl Gardner, NDEP AML, Engineering Supervisor Jonathan Zittel, NDEP AML, Staff Engineer

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