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Jan Shifflett, Response and Remediation SME  
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Re: Removal of Institutional Control Requirement to Conduct Annual Visual  
Monitoring at MP400 Bullet Hole Spill

Dear Mr. Shifflett:

The Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation (ADEC), Contaminated Sites Program (CSP) has received and reviewed the 2012 Annual Visual Inspection Report for Alyeska MP400 Bullet Hole Spill, which included a request to cease annual visual monitoring at the source area. The requirement for annual visual monitoring was established as one of three institutional controls in ADEC's May 2008 closure document, which can be found online at the following website ([http://dec.alaska.gov/Applications/SPAR/CCReports/closedocs/1771\\_MP400%20Conditional%20Closure%20Agreement%20Letter%20\(signed\).pdf](http://dec.alaska.gov/Applications/SPAR/CCReports/closedocs/1771_MP400%20Conditional%20Closure%20Agreement%20Letter%20(signed).pdf)). Annual visual monitoring of surface water bodies was designed to identify potential ecological impacts and offsite migration of contaminants. Details from these inspections has shown that Alyeska's trenching, product recovery, soil excavation, backfilling, fertilization, and re-vegetation efforts in 2001 and 2002 were successful, and there is no evidence of ongoing contaminant migration or continued surface impact. Therefore, it is no longer necessary to conduct annual visual inspections at this site. The other two institutional controls (documentation of contamination within the CSP database and requirement of approval to transport soil from this site) remain in effect.

If you have any questions about this decision, please contact Richard Bernhardt at (907) 269-7546 or by e-mail at [rrbernhardt@alaska.gov](mailto:rrbernhardt@alaska.gov).

Sincerely,

A blue ink signature of Richard R. Bernhardt, consisting of a stylized first name and a more formal last name.

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