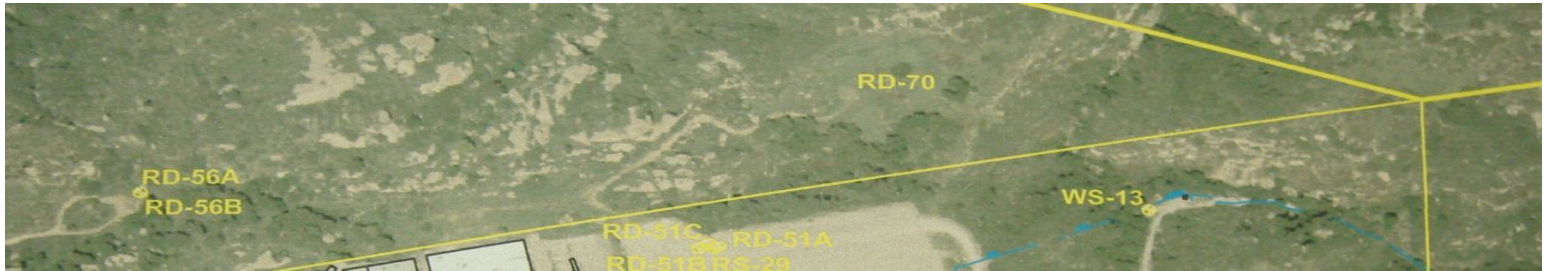


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Dear EPA,

Please consider these ACME comments on the Draft Final Technical Memorandum Northern Buffer Zone Soil Sample Results, AREA IV Radiological Study, Santa Susana Field Laboratory (SSFL), Ventura County, California – EPA Contract Number: EP-S7-05-05–Task Order No. 0038 Prepared for EPA by Hydrogeologic, Inc. September 11 of 2012.

In Section 2.1, Soil Sampling Location and Placement, locations were identified as Targeted and Random. The findings of the random locations appear to be elevated and steps out sampling should be paid for by the Responsible Parties to fully understand the extent of contamination. The Radionuclides found in these random sampling are the same constituents found in Runkle Canyon and appear to be the result of burning waste. The Northern Buffer Zone (NBZ) was a result of offsite Radiological and Chemical contamination found within the property of the Brandeis-Bardin Campus (BBI) now owned by the American Jewish University and as they still reside downhill from the facility, this NBZ investigation is critical to ensure the Health and Safety of the Campus below. There are several tons of debris located within the NBZ, primarily on the road to monitoring wells RD-56A/B and upon the debris removal, more at depth sampling should be paid for by the responsible parties as it could be an impact to the groundwater below as we have already seen radionuclide concentrations at BBI in the beginning of this year, that proves it is not a concern of decades past, we have off-site contamination today.

Thank you in advance for the consideration of these comments. The Community looks forward to a continuing relationship with EPA to Ensure a Proper Cleanup of the Santa Susana Field Laboratory, it's Related Facilities and their Surrounding Communities.

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