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Response to Graham Associates letter of Nov. 1, 2022

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Response: The crushed stone has been partially re-worked but will need minor additional adjustments in the Spring when weather allows.

2. In general, the site conditions as relates to ground cover, vegetation and stabilization are much improved from my last site visit. Further I would suggest that the site vegetation and stabilization are acceptable with the following noted minor exceptions:

- The side slope and top of slope areas generally between Sta. 2+0± and 3+0±, right side shows areas of little to no vegetation.

Response: This area will re-worked in the Spring when weather allows.

- A very small area generally near Sta. 5+25±, left side shows an area of little to no vegetation.

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- A few areas of the site showed grasses which Mike Seakamp suggested may be annuals. A revisit next spring or early summer to be sure this vegetation returns is recommended.

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3. Approximately a dozen trees planted along the southerly side of Array Field 2 have died.

These trees were all tagged "Fraser Fir". The trees should be replaced in the spring but obviously with a different coniferous type tree.

Response: The dead trees will be replaced with an evergreen tree in the Spring when weather allows.

I would also suggest that the site conditions are such that the in place erosion control may be removed and those areas raked out and seeded as needed.

Response: The existing erosion controls along with the wooden stakes will be removed from the site in the Spring. The compost socks will be slit, compost spread out, and the area overseeded.

Sincerely,

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