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Fwd: Hiawatha Flood cleanup update

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Our current focus last week and this week is on the undisturbed drainage at the top of South Fork. The attached photos show the progress last week and the next steps to work on this week. We have been cleaning up the material that was washed onsite from the canyon above the South Fork bathhouse pad where it leads to the PCB storage building. Cleanup has consisted of sorting dirt from large rocks in order to use the rocks for riprap and eventually preserve the dirt for reclamation topsoil use.

The 96" culvert inlet (Culvert 26) has had the damaged inlet removed and the culvert inlet restored. I met with the Utah Division of Water Rights and confirmed that we do not need a stream alteration permit to repair this drainage since it is not perennial and is currently dry. Work this week will consist of finishing the cleaning around the culvert inlet and excavating the material immediately upstream which accumulated from the flood and restore the channel.

We also now have the seed mix on site to reseed the areas that were affected by the flood that have already been repaired. Since snow is forecasted for tomorrow, we are placing the seed today so that it be underneath the snow. The progress of the continued work on the repairs and pond cleanouts will depend on the volume snow comes from the storm and our ability to continue to work after it snows. The sediment ponds can all still currently function and we have the equipment to decant South Fork pond by pumping until the conditions allow us to restore the decant pipe.

I have also begun working on designs to reroute the South Fork drainage coming out of the drainage North of the pad and will submit those designs along with the updated Sediment Pond drawings that are being prepared. I don't yet have an estimated completion date on the submittal of this amendment but the designs will be submitted to the Division for review and approval prior to making any changes.

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Sincerely,

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