

### NMED Ground Water Quality Bureau DEIS Comments

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2-22, 2.1.4	Statements made in this section seem to indicate that the WRDFs will be placed in locations previously used by operators. Clarification may be needed with respect to the primary WRDF ENE of Animas Peak which will predominantly be placed on undisturbed ground.
2-22, 2.1.4	It is stated that suitable growth media or "top soil" will be removed prior to placement of wasterock. Is it known whether the growth media will be scrapped down to the bedrock contact or will just the top 1-2 feet be salvaged?
3-26, 3.4.1.3	Please note that JSAI has provided a more recent report on the Stage 1 Abatement Plan titled: "Results from the First Year of Stage 1 Abatement Investigation at the Copper Flat Mine Site Near Hillsboro, New Mexico" (May 2014).
3-44,3.4.2.1.2	Please note that the JSAI 2014 report referenced above also show both sulfate and TDS exceedences in a small subset of MWs downgradient of the TSF.