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TO: Notice to Oil and Gas Producers &
Notice to Landfarm Operators

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Subject: Waste Disposal and Landfarm Procedures

The use of off-site disposal facilities for Exploration and Production (E&P) waste is a Division regulated component of the oil and gas production industry. It is the Divisions observation these waste streams have at times been inappropriately applied to landfarms.

Landfarms are for the purpose of remediating hydrocarbon contaminated solids. Material accepted at Division administered landfarms must be sufficiently free of liquid content to pass a 60-mesh liquid paint filter test. Wet or fluid E&P oily waste must be de-watered prior to placement in a landfarm. **Vacuum trucks and other tank vessels are prohibited from unloading waste materials directly into landfarm areas.**

Landfarm materials undergoing bioremediation are required to meet Cleanup standards prior to applying additional lifts. Regular soil testing of landfarm bioremediation progress is essential for proper operation and in determining if cleanup standards are achieved. Records of remediation activity shall be accessible for Division review. Cleanup standards can be found in the Guidance Document: Cleanup Levels Summary on the Utah Oil & Gas Home Page, <https://oilgas.ogm.utah.gov> under the "Publications" tab "Handbooks & Guidance Documents"

Oil and Gas Producers should verify waste streams are being handled appropriately. If special circumstances arise producers should contact the Division for help on a case-by-case basis.

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