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**Re: NuWay K&H Cooperative (212 East McKinley Street, Corwith, Iowa 50484)
Contaminated Sites Database Site ID No. 2880
Limited Phase II Environmental Site Assessment Report**

Dear Mr. Oldenburg:

The Iowa Department of Natural Resources, Solid Waste and Contaminated Sites Section (DNR) has reviewed the February 3, 2026 Phase II Environmental Site Assessment Report (ESA) ([Doc #43267](#)) for the NuWay K&H Cooperative site located in Corwith, Iowa. The DNR understands the ESA was completed to investigate potential contamination related to aboveground storage tanks (ASTs) on the site in anticipation of the decommissioning and removal of those ASTs.

To investigate the soil and groundwater in the vicinity of the ASTs, six borings were advanced at the property with a soil sample collected from each boring. Following the collection of soil samples, two of the borings (SB-4 and SB-6) were converted into temporary monitoring wells for the collection of groundwater samples. All soil and groundwater samples were analyzed for benzene, toluene, ethylbenzene, and xylenes (BTEX) via Iowa Method OA-1 and total extractable hydrocarbons (TEH) via Iowa Method OA-2. Additionally, the groundwater samples were analyzed for methyl tert-butyl ether (MTBE) via EPA Method 8260.

Laboratory analysis determined that TEH as gasoline, diesel, and motor oil were detected in soil at concentrations exceeding laboratory reporting limits but below applicable regulatory levels. Laboratory analysis for groundwater samples revealed detections of benzene, ethylbenzene, xylenes, and TEH as gasoline, motor oil, and diesel at concentrations above laboratory detection limits. Of those detections, diesel is the only one that exceeded regulatory levels with a detection at location SB-4 that exceeded the statewide standard for a protected groundwater source but did not exceed the statewide standard for a non-protected groundwater source.

Considering the lack of detections in soil and groundwater, lack of receptors, as well as the current and presumed future site use, ***no additional assessment is required at this time.***

The site information and reports have been reviewed as part of the Initial Site Screening (ISS) program. The site has been assigned a **Priority 3**, which constitutes a low level of concern.

If you have any questions or if we may be of further assistance, please contact me at [\(515\) 415-0889](tel:515-415-0889) or jake.bucklin@dnr.iowa.gov.

Sincerely,

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