

## OPENING STATEMENT

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This is an open meeting, held at the request of ExxonMobil, for the purpose of discussing the Requests for Additional Information concerning the reclamation of the Highlands area project.

Because it is an open meeting, members of the public are welcome to attend and observe the proceedings. Questions from the public will be solicited by NRC staff at the end of the meeting. Representatives of the licensee are encouraged but not required to answer questions directed to them by members of the public.

A report of this meeting will be prepared by NRC staff and this report will be placed in the docket file and the public documents room. Documents presented by any party will become part of the meeting record and will be made available for public review.

The meeting report will include a summary of discussion topics and a list of action items with agreed upon due dates. At the close of the meeting, I will review the list of action items, responsible parties, and due dates to ensure agreement has been reached and there are no misunderstandings.

Our goal is to have the meeting report completed within thirty working days, and posted on our website within ten days after the report is completed.

Close of Opening Statement.