

Caller Name: Wes MacDonald

Date: 4/12/2023

Representing: Big Canoe POA

Phone Number: 423-385-2312

Dam Name: Lake Petit Dam

Dam ID: 112-009-00462

Classification: Category I

County: Pickens

Employee Handling Call: Kate Betsill

Subject/Issue(s) Discussed: I called Wes to ask about the status of the low-level drain test. He stated that the contractor is in the process of installing the plug. Mr. MacDonald stated that the timeframe for inserting the plug could be 2 to 4 days and that then there would be a little time to make sure that it was properly set before there would be an attempt to open the gate. He stated that he would get an update this afternoon late on the progress installing the plug and would know more about the timeframe after that. He said the plug was being installed in about 4 pieces. I inquired about the nature of the plug. He stated that it was more like a series of metal plates that fit just downstream of the gate rather than a bladder. I stated that it sounded like there would not be a lot to see, as the plug is already partially in the outlet structure and that the Safe Dams Program probably would not attend. We discussed that the POA has made arrangements so that the plug can be reused. We also discussed that the Safe Dams Program only requires that it be demonstrated that the gate works properly, not that there be flow through the pipe. Wes called me back later to let me know that the gate test would probably not occur before next Wednesday.

Action Taken: None

Written Follow-up: Yes No
Elaborate on Follow-up