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DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES DIVISION OF WATER RESOURCES

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Response to Reclamation Permit Application Amendment Consideration

DATE: January 28, 2014

- TO: Eric C. Scott, Environmental Protection Specialist
- CC: Division 1 Office, District 65 Water Commissioner
- FROM: Justina P. Mickelson, Physical Science Researcher Scientist JPM
- RE: Operator: Consideration Phillips County; Phillips County Landfill Pit; File No. M-2013-084 Section 9, Twp 7 N, Rng 45 W, 6th P.M., Phillips County

CONDITIONS FOR APPROVAL

- The proposed operation does not anticipate exposing groundwater. Therefore, exposure of ground water must not occur during or after mining operations.
- The proposed operation will consume ground water by: evaporation, dust control, reclamation, water removed in the mined product, processing, other: . Prior to initiation of these uses of ground water, the applicant will need to obtain either a gravel pit or other type of well permit, as applicable. However, prior to obtaining a permit, an approved water supply plan or decreed plan for augmentation is required.
- Prior to approving a well permit, the applicant must conduct a field inspection of the site and document the locations of all wells within 600 feet of the permit area. The applicant must then obtain a waiver of objection from all well owners with wells within 600 feet of the permit area or request a hearing before the State Engineer.
- The proposed operation may have potential impact on existing water rights near the project location. Applicant needs to demonstrate that the proposed project will not alter or impact the historic operation of existing water rights.
- The applicant has indicated plans to use other water for _ as necessary at the permit site. Per the applicant, the source of water for this use is to be obtained from _. Applicant should be able to document that this water came from a source approved for industrial use. Applicant should contact the water commissioner for further information.
- The applicant has not identified any proposed use of water at the permit site. If water will be used for any purpose at this site, the applicant will need to document that the water was obtained from a legal source, the water was diverted in priority under a water right decreed for such industrial use or the use of water was approved by the Colorado Ground Water Commission for such industrial use.

COMMENTS: The applicant may contact the State Engineer's Office with any questions.

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Shannon V. Johnson Department of Natural Resources Division of Water Resources 1313 Sherman Street, Room 818 Denver, CO 80203

RE: Notice of 112 Construction Materials Reclamation Permit Application ConsiderationPhillips County, Phillips County Landfill Pit, File No. M-2013-084

Shannon Johnson

Please be advised that on December 30, 2013, Phillips County, whose address and telephone number are 221 S. Interocean Ave., Holyok, CO 80734; (970) 854-3778, filed an application to conduct Surface extraction of construction materials and reclamation, at or near Section 9, Township 7N, Range 45W, 06th Prime Meridian, in Phillips County. Please be advised that the permit area may be located in more than one Section, Township, and Range. The application decision is scheduled for March 30, 2014.

A copy of the application is available for review at the Phillips County Clerk & Recorder's office and at the office of the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, Room 215, 1313 Sherman Street, Denver, Colorado 80203.

If you desire to make comments or objections, they must be submitted within twenty (20) days of the date of the last newspaper public notice to be considered in the application review process by the Division. You should contact the applicant for the newspaper publication date. If we do not receive your comments or any objection by the end of the public comment period, the Office will assume you have no objection or comment to the proposed activity.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

Eric C. Scott Environmental Protection Specialist