DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES



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Response to Reclamation Permit Amendment Application Consideration

- DATE: February 3, 2014
- TO: Eric C. Scott, Environmental Protection Specialist
- CC: Division 1 Office, District 5 Water Commissioner
- FROM: Ioana Comaniciu, P.E.
- RE: The Shores Pit, File No. M-1998-013 Operator: Bestway Concrete & Aggregates Company, (970) 587-7277 Sec. 1 & 2, Twp. 2 North, Rng. 68 West, 6th P.M., Weld County

COMMENTS: The applicant has requested to add 42.06 acres to the existing 309.80 permitted acres, for a total of 351.86 permitted acres. This amendment increases the reserves of gravel in the mine and the life of the mine. The proposed operation will continue to consume ground water through evaporation, dust control, reclamation, water removed with the mined product, processing, dewatering and concrete batching. In accordance with Section 37-90-137(2) and (11), C.R.S., the applicant obtained well permit no. 61716-F. However with the proposed expansion the Applicant will be required to obtain a new well permit if additional acreage will be exposed beyond what is allowed by well permit no. 61716-F. So long as the amended Shores Pit is operated in accordance with an approved SWSP or approved plan for augmentation, this office has no objection to the request.

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