



## COLORADO

Division of Reclamation,  
Mining and Safety

Department of Natural Resources

1313 Sherman Street, Room 215  
Denver, Colorado 80203

August 06, 2014

Mr. Joe C. Baxter  
Midwestern Farms Resource dba Eastern Colorado Aggregates  
P.O. Box 580  
Rye, CO 81069

**Re: Midwestern Farms, DRMS Permit No. M-1993-059  
Response to Acreage Reduction Request (AR-01)**

Mr. Baxter,

On August 01, 2014, the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) received your acreage reduction request (AR-01) to release 64.2 acres of land from the Midwestern Farms permit area.

However, the inspection report from 04/04/2014 states that before this area of land can be released, the Operator must first initiate a crop rotation to demonstrate the post-mining land use as dryland farmland (general agriculture). The acreage reduction request states that the 64.2 acres will be seeded by the end of this October, weather permitting. This means the land is not currently releasable.

The Division recommends the Operator withdraw the acreage reduction request and re-submit it once substantial germination of the seed has occurred. Withdrawal of the acreage reduction request can be in the form of a signed letter sent by mail or email.

If you need additional information, please contact me at the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, 1313 Sherman Street, Room 215, Denver, CO 80203, by telephone at 303-866-3567, extension 8129, or by email at [amy.eschberger@state.co.us](mailto:amy.eschberger@state.co.us).

Sincerely,

Amy Eschberger  
Environmental Protection Specialist

CERTIFIED Mail No. 7012 3460 0000 6384 8208  
Return Receipt Request

CC: Leonard Read  
Eastern Colorado Aggregates, LLLP  
P.O. Box 580  
Rye, CO 81069

Tony Waldron, DRMS  
Tom Kaldenbach, DRMS

