

Department of Natural Resources

1313 Sherman Street, Room 215 Denver, CO 80203

May 20, 2015

Gerald Daub Daub & Associates, Inc. 1985 ½ South Broadway Grand Junction, CO 81507

Re: Simple Oil, LLC, NSHI Oil Shale RD&D, Permit No. P-2014-014, Approval of Notice of Intent Request.

Dear Mr. Daub,

The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) has reviewed and approved your complete request for a Notice of Intent to Conduct Prospecting Operations (NOI) application. File No. P-2014-014, submitted July 28, 2014. As of today Division staff approves the request to prospect for nahcolite and oil shale using in-situ technology.

The Division has received and accepted a reclamation bond in the amount of \$156,566.01 that is considered adequate to reclaim the site per the requirements of the approved reclamation plan. The currently held reclamation bond only covers the reclamation cost for one OSR well. If Simple Oil, LLC wishes to install additional wells to support the project please notify the Division at least sixty days prior to allow time for a modification to the NOI.

If you need additional information, please contact me at the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, Grand Junction Field Office, 101 S. 3rd St., Suite 301, Grand Junction, Colorado 81501, telephone no. 970.241.2042.

Sincerely,

Travis Marshall

**Environmental Protection Specialist** 

cc:

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