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Division of Reclamation,
Mining and Safety

Department of Natural Resources

1313 Sherman Street, Room 215
Denver, Colorado 80203

June 02, 2015

Gary D. Hill
Las Animas County
200 E. 1st Street, Room 110
Trinidad, CO 81082

**Re: Receipt of 112 Construction Materials Reclamation Permit Amendment Application,
Branson Gravel Pit, Permit No. M-1997-100, Revision No. AM-01**

Mr. Hill:

On June 02, 2015, the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) received your 112 Construction Materials Reclamation Permit Amendment application for the Branson Gravel Pit, which is located in Las Animas County. All comment and review periods began on June 02, 2015. The decision date for your application is scheduled for August 31, 2015.

Within ten (10) days after submittal, you must publish notice in a newspaper of general circulation in the locality of the proposed mining operation once a week for four (4) consecutive weeks. Immediately after the first publication, mail a copy of the notice to all owners of record of surface and mineral rights, holders of any recorded easements, and all owners of record of lands that are within 200 feet of the boundary of the affected land. Proof of notice and mailings, such as Certified Mail - Return Receipt Requested, must be submitted to the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety prior to the decision date. Additionally, any changes or additions to the application on file in our office must also be reflected in the public review copy which has been placed with the Las Animas County Clerk and Recorder.

The Division is reviewing your application to determine whether it is adequate to meet the requirements of the Act. We will contact you if additional information is needed.

Please be reminded that all operators must contact the Colorado Department of Health, Water Quality Control Division regarding storm water permits.

If you have any questions, 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.

Sincerely,

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