August 31, 2015



COLORADO Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety

Department of Natural Resources

Rick Barth City of Rifle 202 Railroad Ave Rifle, CO 81650

RE: City of Rifle Material Resource Area, Permit No. M-2007-030, Inspection Problem Abated

Dear Mr. Mack:

On July 6, 2015 the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) sent out notice of unresolved inspection problems for the above mentioned site as the result of a past inspection on February 11, 2014. Problem 1 (one), identified in the inspection report cited backfilling and grading as a problem due to ruts and gullies on many of the banks. Problem 2 (two), in the inspection report noted revegetation as a problem as the result of large amounts of untreated Kochia.

On July 16, 2015 the Division received a letter from Rick Barth stating that the site had become reactivated recently and earthwork activities had taken place over most of the site. This redisturbance would result in all eroded areas being regraded and weeds removed. Later that day Mr. Barth was contacted via phone and informed that in order to abate the problems the Division would need photo documentation. An additional reminder email was sent on August 19, 2015. Initial photo documentation of the work was received via email on August 20, 2015. It was noted that additional work was needed before the problem was fully resolved. Final close up photo documentation was received via email on August 25, 2015. This satisfies the corrective actions and both problems are considered abated.

If you require additional information, or have questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me. Amy Yeldell, at the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, 1313 Sherman St., Room 215, Denver, CO 80203. Direct contact can be made by phone at 970-254-8511 or via email at amy.yeldell@ state.co.us

Sincerely,

Amy Veldell

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Ec: Russ Means, Senior EPS / Field Office Supervisor, Grand Junction DRMS





Yeldell - DNR, Amy <amy.yeldell@state.co.us>

Rifle Pit

2 messages

Rick Barth <rbarth@rifleco.org> To: "Yeldell - DNR, Amy (amy.yeldell@state.co.us)" <amy.yeldell@state.co.us>

Tue, Aug 25, 2015 at 9:00 AM

Hello Amy. Here are some finishing pictures, close up so you can see the weeds are removed and rills covered.

Rick L. Barth City Engineer

-----Original Message-----From: Bobby O'Dell Sent: Monday, August 24, 2015 7:21 PM To: Rick Barth Subject: Weeds n such

10 attachments



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Yeldell - DNR, Amy <amy.yeldell@state.co.us> To: Rick Barth <rbarth@rifleco.org>

Tue, Aug 25, 2015 at 11:42 AM

Thank you for the final pictures Rick. I am in Denver through the remainder of the week. First thing Monday I will send out a letter abating the problems. [Quoted text hidden]

Amy Yeldell Environmental Protection Specialist Minerals Program, Grand Junction Field Office



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Rifle 3 messages

Rick Barth <rbarth@rifleco.org> To: Amy Yeldell - DNR <amy.yeldell@state.co.us>

Thu, Aug 20, 2015 at 1:55 PM

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Yeldell - DNR, Amy <amy.yeldell@state.co.us> To: Rick Barth <rbarth@rifleco.org>

Thu, Aug 20, 2015 at 3:05 PM

Can't tell from the picture but the portion above the hoe looks to have some rilling. Please take a few more zoomed in pictures please. Thank you for documenting the progress,

On Thu, Aug 20, 2015 at 1:55 PM, Rick Barth <rbarth@rifleco.org> wrote: In progress. Still a little they have to work into (platform) to get it taken care of. Amy Yeldell Environmental Protection Specialist Minerals Program, Grand Junction Field Office



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Thu, Aug 20, 2015 at 3:07 PM

Yes it does. That is the part they have to platform to. Part of the plant work where they were using this site as staging has impacted the storage area (the cobble piles). They are steep enough they are unsafe to work on which is why we were hoping to postpone dealing with this for a while. They have to make a platform to work up to, then get those rills and weeds.

Rick L. Barth

City Engineer

From: Yeldell - DNR, Amy [mailto:amy.yeldell@state.co.us] Sent: Thursday, August 20, 2015 3:06 PM To: Rick Barth Subject: Re: Rifle

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