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**Division of Reclamation,
Mining and Safety**

Department of Natural Resources

1313 Sherman Street, Room 215
Denver, CO 80203

October 1, 2015

Western Slope Conservation Center
P.O. Box 1612
Paonia, CO 81428

Re: West Elk Mine (Permit No. C-1980-007)
Revision: MR-414
Addition of Concrete Vault to Pond Pipeline.

Dear Sir or Madam:

The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety has received an application for the above referenced permitting action for the West Elk Mine. The application was deemed complete on October 1, 2015.

MR-414 seeks to add the installation of a buried concrete vault to the pipeline project previously approved with MR-409. The vault will be approximately 4' x 6' x 4', and accessed through a manhole. Since the vault will be within the disturbed area, and buried, there will be no additional cost for reclamation. The applicant is not proposing additional surface disturbance outside of the area currently approved for disturbance.

Permit Revision (PR), Permit Renewal (RN), or Technical Revision (TR) application materials are available for review at the Gunnison County Clerk and Recorder, 221 N. Wisconsin, Suite C, Gunnison, CO 81230 and at the Division's Denver office. Minor Revision (MR) and Surety Release (SL) application materials are available for review at the Division's Denver office.

If you have any questions, please contact me.



Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "L. Simmons".

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