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Memo

Date: November 30, 2015

From: Michael A. Cunningham 

To: Wally Erickson

RE: Gross Reservoir; DRMS File M-2014-071; Is It Mining Determination

Denver Water submitted an Is It Mining questionnaire on December 22, 2014. A copy of the questionnaire can be found in file No. M-2014-071. The proposed project contemplates a quarry near Gross Reservoir in Boulder County. The extracted material would be used to raise the level of the dam to increase storage capacity. There is no formal response from the Division in the file. However, I suspect that Tom determined a Reclamation Permit would be required due to the fact that the proposed quarry would be located on USFS property. In addition, the proposed quarry would've resulted in substantial surface disturbance.

The Division received a second Is It Mining questionnaire from Denver Water on November 25, 2015. The proposed project has been revised such that the quarry would be located solely on Denver Water property. In addition, the quarry would be underwater once the capacity of the reservoir is expanded.

