

Department of Natural Resources

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July 28, 2016

Mr. Kevin Anderson Connell Resources, Inc. 7785 Highland Meadows Pkwy Fort Collins, CO 80528

Connell Resources, Inc.; Tucker Pit; File No. M-1980-002 Re: Technical Revision No. 5 (TR-05) Adequacy Review

Mr. Anderson,

The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division/DRMS) has reviewed the content of the technical revision (TR-05) for the Tucker Pit, File No. M-1980-002, and submits the following comments. The Division is required to make an approval or denial decision no later than August 22, 2016 therefore; a response to the following adequacy review concerns should be submitted to the Division as soon as possible.

1. Purple loosestrife, a List A Colorado Noxious Weed, was identified on the site during the June 8, 2016 inspection. The Weed Control Plan submitted did not included a specific management plan for purple loosestrife. Please provide a specific management strategy for purple loosestrife at the Tucker Pit.

Please be advised the technical revision for the Tucker Pit may be deemed inadequate, and the revision may be denied on August 22, 2016, unless the above mentioned adequacy review items are addressed to the satisfaction of the Division.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at peter.hays@state.co.us or 303-866-3567 Ext. 8124.

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