

Colorado Division of
Reclamation Mining & Safety
Grand Junction Field Office
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Grand Junction, CO
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February 3, 2017

Dear, Ms. Yeldell:

On behalf of Cecil "Cork" Powell, owner of Vista Del Sol Ranch and operator of the Powell Gravel Pit (M1995012), Great Basin Environmental and Aquatics (GBEA) is submitting a request for an extension as requested.

I apologize for the considerable amount of information that may seem ambiguous but having worked in research for 15 years I have a tendency to prattle excessively; although it does come in useful at times.

A concise summary of the addendum:

1. **Slopes to be 2/1 or gentler on 1.43 acres defined in polygon A**
2. **Materials to move – 350 ft of slopes reduced to 2/1 or gentler, +- 1000 yd³**
3. **Topsoil as available and supplement with amendments, using a cover crop over one or two growing seasons**
4. **Intensively reclaim on 1.43 acres of mined area - polygon A, maintain and seed as needed 1.42 acres on polygon B, maintain mature vegetation on 0.50 acres in polygon B, maintain 1.03 acres of reclaimed area.**
5. **Broadcast seed and harrow or walk in with dozer tracks.**
6. **If the hill is mined outside of polygons A,B, and C, Mr Powell will become responsible for reclaiming.**
7. **Straw, if used, is at a minimum of 1 ton/ acre, depending on equipment etc. Preferably turn in a cover crop and use as a planting medium. Note: straw sources for Mr. Powell are in Loma – 200 miles round trip. He has been encouraged to use any organic waste from his ranching.**
8. **Control weeds as per Appendix C.**

Feel free to call and ask for clarification.

Respectfully,

Matt Combes
Co-owner, Great Basin Environmental and Aquatics

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