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Division of Reclamation,  
Mining and Safety

Department of Natural Resources

1313 Sherman Street, Room 215  
Denver, CO 80203

August 8, 2017

Mr. Jerald Schnabel  
Transit Mix Concrete Co.  
444 East Costilla  
Colorado Springs, CO 80903

**RE: Hitch Rack Ranch, NOI File No. P-2014-016;  
Annual Report Request for Clarification**

Dear Mr. Schnabel:

On August 3, 2017 the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) received your 2017 Notice of Intent (NOI) Annual Report. The following discrepancy was noted:

- I. Item 5 – Number of acres currently affected (exploration+ incomplete reclamation) was listed as “20 – 30”.

Discrepancy – Pursuant to the approved NOI, the maximum allowed disturbed area is 5.61 acres. Transit Mix also has an overlapping NOI (P2017-008) for the proposed monitoring wells on the Hitch Rack Ranch. Please know that the affected areas for these two NOIs are tracked separately by the Division (Note: the maximum allowed affected area for P-2017-008 is 1.0 acres)

Action Required – **Please clarify if the affected area is in fact 20 to 30 acres or if the disturbance is within the limits allowed under P-2014-016 and/or P2017-008. If the affected area is greater than that allowed by the approved NOI(s), the Division may pursue enforcement action. Please provide a response by September 7, 2017.**

If you have any questions or need further information, please contact me at (303)866-3567 x8169.

Sincerely,

Timothy A. Cazier, P.E.  
Environmental Protection Specialist

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