

COLORADO Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety Department of Natural Resources

1313 Sherman Street, Room 215 Denver, CO 80203

August 29, 2017

Mr. Don Saling City of Sterling 421 N. 4th Street P.O. Box 4000 Sterling, CO 80751

Re: Rothe Sand & Gravel Pit, Permit No. M-1995-017, Stipulation No. 1 (ST-01) Complied With

Dear Mr. Saling:

On June 20, 2017 the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (DRMS) approved with a stipulation the Amendment No. 1 (AM01) application submitted to the Division on April 17, 2017, addressing the following:

This amendment includes a change in property description, additional mining of materials, and change in post-mining land use to recreation. Two existing pits will be expanded and connected into one gravel pit that will remain after mining to be used for recreation. Mined material will be used as a base for recreational trails both on-site and off-site.

This amendment was approved with the following stipulation:

ST-01 - Additional excavation (beyond the currently exposed groundwater ponds) below the ground water table cannot occur until the City of Sterling has submitted documentation to the Division that they are in compliance with the Colorado Division of Water Resources.

On August 28, 2017, DRMS received documentation from your consultant group Bishop-Brogden Associates, Inc. that included a copy of an approved well permit and substitute water supply plan from the Colorado Division of Water Resources. Based on this documentation, ST-01 is considered complied with.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

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