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ATTEN: Russ Means, Senior EPS, Grand Junction DRMS

In early October (2017) Jayne Kuck and Cork Powell submitted a letter to the DRMS field office in Grand Junction. The body of the letter is shown below:

ATTEN: Russ Means, Senior EPS, Grand Junction DRMS

RE: Powell's Gravel Pit, Permit NO. M-1995-012, Surety Reduction Request

Please consider this letter as a written request for an onsite inspection of Powell's Gravel Pit, Permit No. M-1995-012 as soon as possible. A portion of site has been regraded and revegetated as agreed and specified in the Technical Revision (TR-1) Adequacy Review 2. Vegetation is being established on this site.

Further, Cecil C. Powell, the owner/operator would like to proceed with a final reclamation in accordance with the Technical Revision (TR-1). The inspection should insure an understanding between all involved parties and facilitate moving forward to a pit closure.

The operator has went above and beyond what is outlined in these plans to ensure a successful reclamation. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Cork Powell received a reply on Oct 16th and has requested Great Basin Environmental and Aquatics to respond. It appears that there is a misunderstanding because of the "Surety Reduction Request" wording as shown above. This was not Mr. Powell's intent to request a reduction but to facilitate a pit closing. He would still like an onsite meeting between all parties involved as stated in the previous letter and apologizes for any inconvenience this may have caused.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Matt Combes", is written over a horizontal line.

Matt Combes
Owner Great Basin Environmental and Aquatics