



COLORADO

**Division of Reclamation,
Mining and Safety**

Department of Natural Resources

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Denver, CO 80203

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Stephanie Fancher-English
Loveland Ready-Mix Concrete, Inc.
664 N. Namaqua Road,
Loveland, Colorado 80539

**RE: Knox Pit, DRMS Permit Application No. M-2017-036
Adequacy Review No. 2**

Dear Mrs. Fancher-English:

The Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division or DRMS) conducted an inspection of the proposed mining site on November 22, 2017. Based on this inspection, the Division identified several additional adequacy review items that will need to be addressed. These items are in addition to the items already identified in the Division's first adequacy review letter dated November 14, 2017.

During the inspection, the Division observed the Taylor and Gill Ditch. A portion of this ditch appears to be located within the permit area along the western boundary of the mine site south of the Little Cache La Poudre Ditch. A small ditch lateral appears to T-off the Little Cache La Poudre ditch and flows parallel to the Taylor and Gill Ditch and bends to the east into the site. This lateral ditch appears to dead end near the dirt road that goes to the Little Cache La Poudre ditch from the southwest entrance to the mine site. The Taylor and Gill ditch and the lateral are not identified on Exhibit C or discussed in Exhibit S. Given this, please address the following issues:

Rule 6.4.3 Exhibit C – Pre-Mining and Mining Plan Map(s) of Affected Lands

1. Please update the Exhibit C maps to depict the Taylor and Gill Ditch and the Little Cache La Poudre lateral ditch. Please show the name of the owner of the ditch and lateral.

Rule 6.4.4 – Exhibit D Mining Plan and Rule 6.4.5, Exhibit E – Reclamation Plan

2. The mining plan and reclamation plan does not appear to take into account the location of the Taylor and Gill Ditch and the lateral ditch. Please revise the mining and reclamation plan as necessary to account for these structures. Please indicate how these structure will be protected from damage during the mining operation.
3. The Taylor and Gill ditch and the lateral ditch do not appear to be lined. Please explain how water losses from the ditches will be prevented, monitored and/or mitigated.



Rule 6.4.19 – Exhibit D – Permanent Man-Made Structures

4. The Taylor and Gill Ditch and lateral is within 200 feet of the affected land. These structures are not included in Exhibit S. Please provide the required documentation to fulfill the requirements of Rule 6.4.19.

As indicated in the Division's November 14, 2017 adequacy review letter, the Division is required to issue a decision on the application by January 30, 2018. The adequacy review items listed above and the items identified in the Division's November 14, 2017 adequacy letter must be addressed to the Division's satisfaction prior to this date. If you need additional time to address these items please request an extension of the decision date in accordance with Rule 1.4.1(9).

If you have any questions feel free to contact me at (303) 866-3567, extension 8120.

Sincerely,



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