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DIVISION OF RECLAMATION MINING AND SAFETY

RE: Inspection Report for Stonewall #1 Pit M2013-053

Mr. Cunningham,

Revisions to the Weed Control Plan for Stonewall #1 Pit have been completed. The updated plan is enclosed for your review. Please let me know if I can answer any further questions regarding this plan.

Sincerely,

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Weed Control Plan

Stonewall #1 Pit M-2013-053

Stonewall #1 Pit is in Las Animas County, Colorado. Robert Lucero is the Noxious Weed Coordinator for the county. Mr. Lucero was contacted to consult on the best methods of weed control for common mullein. Information from the USDA and Forest Service was also obtained to better understand the plant species. Based upon these findings, the following options will be employed to control noxious weeds, including common mullein, at the site. The first method that will be utilized is mechanically removal of the noxious weed. With specific consideration of common mullein, the weed will be removed below the root and done so when the soil is damp, per instructions from Mr. Lucero. These will be bagged and removed from the site to prevent the spread of seeds. Mr. Lucero also suggested spot spraying with Milestone if post-treatment monitoring found any further evidence of the weed. This herbicide will be used when the weed is in the rosette stage. If the weed has flowered, they will be mechanically removed.

All-Rite Paving and Redi Mix, Inc. has mechanically removed all common mullein on site. Please see attached photos for evidence of such removal. Post-treatment monitoring will occur monthly. If common mullein, or any other noxious weed, re-emerges All-Rite Paving will then spot treat using Milestone.