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## Response to Reclamation Permit Release Request Consideration

DATE: July 3, 2018  
TO: Peter S. Hays, Environmental Protection Specialist ([peter.hays@state.co.us](mailto:peter.hays@state.co.us))  
CC: Division 1 Office, District 3 Water Commissioner  
FROM: Sarah Brucker, P.E.   
RE: Iverson Pit, File No. M-2011-001 - SL01  
Applicant/Operator: Martin Marietta Materials, Inc.; 970-227-4041  
Section 34, Twp 6 North, Rng 66 West, 6<sup>th</sup> P.M., Weld County

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**COMMENTS:** The applicant has submitted a request for full reclamation responsibility release for the Iverson Pit (WDID 0303039).

Martin Marietta mined the Iverson Pit site between June 2012 and June 2014. Reclamation work at the site began in February 2015 and was completed in December of 2017. The completed reclamation includes an unlined pond with a surface area of approximately 27.2 acres.

Depletions associated with the exposed groundwater surface area were covered under Martin Marietta's Greeley 35<sup>th</sup> Avenue/Iverson Pit Combined Substitute Water Supply Plan (WDID 0302546, Plan ID 5348) up until March 31, 2018. The landowners, Tim and Jeanne Iverson, submitted a request for a substitute water supply plan to cover depletions associated with the exposed groundwater pond, designated as Iverson Lake, on March 29, 2018 (Plan ID 5983). In an email received by this office on June 19, 2018, the applicant's consultant indicated that Mr. Iverson wished to discontinue pursuing an approval of the substitute water supply plan. At this time, the exposed groundwater pond at the Iverson Pit site is not included in any valid substitute water supply plan or decreed augmentation plan.

The request for full reclamation release for the Iverson Pit should not be granted until either the existing groundwater pond is included in a decreed plan for augmentation or all exposed groundwater at the site has been completely backfilled.

Please feel free to contact me at this office if you have any questions regarding this matter.

