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Response to Reclamation Permit Partial Acreage Release Request Consideration

DATE:	July 12, 2018
TO:	Peter S. Hays, Environmental Protection Specialist (peter.hays@state.co.us)
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RE:	Distel Pit, File No. M-1989-029 - SR01 Applicant/Operator: Aggregate Industries - WCR, Inc.; 970-396-5252 Sections 7, 8, 17 & 18, Twp 2 North, Rng 68 West, 6 th P.M., Weld County

COMMENTS: The applicant has requested a partial acreage release for approximately 119 acres of the Distel Pit, generally located on the western and northwestern portion of the site. Approximately 593 acres will remain within the permit boundary.

The City of Longmont has assumed the augmentation responsibilities for lagged and future depletions from evaporation from open water surface areas and consumptive use by wetlands vegetation at the Distel Pit site under their plan for augmentation decreed in case no. 2009CW271. The plan for augmentation projected that the Distel Pit site would contain 64.0 acres of free water surface area (ponds and streams) and 63.7 acres of new wetlands after reclamation; however, the augmentation plan will replace actual out-of-priority depletions from the actual surveyed areas of free water surface and new wetlands at the site.

This office has no concerns regarding the requested partial acreage release. You or the applicant may contact the State Engineer's Office with any questions.

