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Response to Notice of 112 Construction Materials Reclamation Permit Amendment Application Consideration Oldcastle SW Group, Inc. dba United Companies of Mesa County, Rozman Pit, Permit No. M-1981-014-AM02

To: Dustin M. Czapla, Environmental Protection Specialist

From: Justina P. Mickelson, Physical Science Researcher/Scientist

Date: October 5, 2018

Re: Permit No. M-1981-014-AM02

Operator: Oldcastle SW Group, Inc. dba United Companies of Mesa County; Rozman

Section 13, Twp 14 S, Rng 85 W, 6th P.M.; Gunnison County

CONDITIONS FOR APPROVAL

This amendment request is to change the eastern areas land use to industrial. The proposed operation does not anticipate exposing groundwater. Therefore, exposure of ground water must not occur during or after mining operations.

According to the application, any water for dust mitigation and the washing or crushing of gravel will be purchased and brought on site by an independent operator. The applicant will need to document that the water was obtained from a legal source that allows such industrial use.

According to our records, it appears there are no production wells permitted at the location of this site. A valid well permit must be obtained for any exposure of ground water occurring during or after mining operations and for any ground water uses.

If storm water is not diverted or captured in priority, Colorado Water Law requires it to be released, or replacement for evaporation will be required of the impounder/operator/owner of the gravel pit. The State Engineer's current policy requires that all impounded water be released to the stream system within a maximum of 72 hours after impoundment. Unless captured in priority, impounded water may not be used for any purpose except as approved under a water supply plan or decreed plan for augmentation.

COMMENTS:

This office has no objections to the Notice of 112 Construction Materials Reclamation Permit Amendment Application so long as the site operates under a valid well permit for any ground water exposure or use.

The applicant may contact the State Engineer's Office with any questions.

Cc: Division 4 Engineer

District 59 Water Commissioner

