

**COLORADO** Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety Department of Natural Resources

1313 Sherman Street, Room 215 Denver, CO 80203

April 4, 2019

Jim Doody Kilgore Companies LLC dba Elam Construction 556 Struthers Ave Grand Junction, CO 81501

## RE: Orchard Grove Industrial Pit, Permit No. M-1990-094, Inspection Problem Abated

Dear Mr. Doody:

On January 16, 2019 the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) conducted an inspection of the above referenced site.

Problem 1: Availability of Records was cited as a problem for the absences of permit documents that demonstrated how the operation would be conducted during and after mining. Corrective actions required you to provide the information required under Rules 6.4.4, 6.4.5 and 6.4.12. by the corrective action date.

Problem 2: General Compliance with Mine Plan was cited as a problem for excessive stockpiling of imported fill material before initiating backfilling activities. Corrective actions required you reduce the amount of imported fill on site requiring backfill placement or revise the total allowable volume through a technical revision by the corrective action date.

On April 3, 2019 the Division received documentation regarding the above mentioned problems. Problem 1: the previously approved mining and reclamation plans which were absent for the permit file were provided by the operator. The information submitted clarifies how the operation will be conducted and provides the required information pursuant to Rules 6.4.4., 6.4.5 and 6.4.12. Problem 2: The Operator's letter states, that a portion of imported fill has been backfilled and no more than 10,000 cubic yards is stockpiled on site. This is below the 15,000 cubic yard max required by the permit. This satisfies the corrective actions for both problems and they are considered abated.

The Division will be conducting a follow up inspection in the near future to verify site conditions and recalculate the reclamation cost estimate.

If you require additional information, or have questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me. Amy Yeldell, at the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, 1313 Sherman St., Room 215, Denver, CO 80203. Direct contact can be made by phone at 970-254-8511 or via email at amy.yeldell@ state.co.us



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Sincerely,

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