



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

1313 Sherman Street, Room 215
Denver, CO 80203

April 19, 2019

Forrest Luke
Williams Fork Mining Company
P.O. Box 187
Craig, CO 81626

RE: Williams Fork Pit, File No. M-1984-168 , Technical Revision (TR-7) Adequacy Review

Dear Mr. Luke:

The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) is in the process of reviewing the above referenced Technical Revision in order to ensure that it adequately satisfies the requirements of the Colorado Land Reclamation Act (Act) and the associated Mineral Rules and Regulations for the Extraction of Construction Materials (Rules). During review of the material submitted, the Division determined that the following issue(s) of concern need to be adequately addressed before the Technical Revision can be considered for approval. Please provide the following:

1. In Exhibit D you reference "limited impact criteria of Rule 3, 2CCR407-1". That appears to be referring to Coal Rules, can you please clarify referencing the Construction Materials Rules or rephrase this statement.
2. Please state the total maximum disturbance at any given time
3. Mine Area 7 and 8 appear to be within 25 feet of the permit boundary. Clarify if mining will be conducted with near vertical highwalls up to the permit boundary. Note that that may require highwalls to be backfilled rather than cut/fill for final reclamation.
4. Please provide a structure agreement for the Union Pacific Railroad located east of the permit boundary pursuant to Rule 6.4.19
5. Please specify the total acreage to become ponds vs the acreage to be revegetated within the remaining mining phases (Mine areas 6, 7 and 8).

Please submit your response(s) to the above listed issue(s) by Monday, May 13, 2019 in order to allow the Division sufficient time for review. If you cannot address the above issues by May 13, 2019 please request an extension to the decision due date to ensure adequate time for the Division to review



materials. A decision due date of May 20, 2019 has been set. If any adequacy issues remain by the decision due date the Division may deny your request.

The Division will continue to review your Technical Revision and will contact you if additional information is needed.

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

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Amy Yeldell". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Amy Yeldell
Environmental Protection Specialist

Ec: Travis Marshall, Senior EPS, Grand Junction DRMS