

1313 Sherman Street, Room 215 Denver, Colorado 80203

May 06, 2019

Tom Brubaker VALCO, Inc. 9121 Sunshine Meadow Pl Parker, CO 80134

Re: Rocky Ford East Pit, Permit No. M-1977-560, Corrective Action Extension Approval

Mr. Brubaker:

On May 06, 2019, the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) received your request to extend the Corrective Action deadline for the following problem identified in the April 25, 2019 inspection report:

PROBLEM: There are state-listed noxious weeds present on site (primarily Tamarisk). This is a problem for failure to employ weed control methods for state listed noxious weed species within the permitted area, and to reduce the spread of weeds to nearby areas as required by Rule 3.1.10(6).

CORRECTIVE ACTIONS: By the corrective action due date, the operator shall implement the approved weed control plan and provide proof to the Division that this has been done. If a weed control plan is not already in place, the operator shall develop a weed control and management plan in consultation with the county extension agency or weed control district office, including specific control measures to be applied, a schedule for when control measures will be applied, and a post-treatment monitoring plan. This weed control plan shall be submitted to the Division as a Technical Revision, with the required \$216 revision fee, by the corrective action due date.

The Division has approved your request for a 30-day extension, giving a new corrective action deadline of **June 29, 2019**.

If you have any questions, you may contact me by telephone at (303) 866-3567, ext. 8129, or by email at amy.eschberger@state.co.us.

Sincerely,

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Amy Eschberger Environmental Protection Specialist

Cc: Michael Cunningham, DRMS

