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E-470 Public Highway Authority, File No. M-1980-110-SL01 (aka Sandy Acres Pit)

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Hello Jared,

Please see attached SEO comment letter on the proposed E-470 Public Highway Authority, File No. M-1980-110 full reclamation responsibility release. Sincerely,

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Response to Reclamation Permit Release Request Consideration

DATE:	July 23, 2019
TO:	Jared L. Ebert, Environmental Protection Specialist
CC:	Division 1 Office, District 2 Water Commissioner
FROM:	Ioana Comaniciu, P.E.
RE:	E-470 Public Highway Authority, File No. M-1980-110- <i>SL01</i> (aka Sandy Acres Pit) Operator: Henderson Development Contact: Derek Slack, (303) 537-3710 SE1/4 of Section 26, Twp 1 South, Rng 67 West, 6th P.M., Adams County

COMMENTS:

Henderson Development has submitted a request for full reclamation responsibility release permitted area of the E-470 Public Highway Authority Pit, Permit No. M-1980-110. The Sandy Acres Pit (WDID 0210403) is located on E-470's property in the SE1/4 of Section 26, Township 1 South, Range 67 West of the 6th P.M. The Sandy Acres Pit is no longer an active mining site, however the mining operations at the Sandy Acres Pit resulted in the creation of an unlined pond. As of July 1, 2016, E-470 has backfilled the unlined gravel pit so that no exposed acreage remains. A substitute water supply plan ("SWSP") was approved for the site on October 20, 2016. The SWSP is currently valid until September 30, 2019. According to our records, lagged depletions from evaporation associated with previously exposed groundwater at Sandy Acres Pit will extend until September 2024. Therefore, the Applicant is required to obtain a new SWSP or decreed plan for augmentation to replace all remaining lagged depletions until there is no longer an effect on stream flow.

Based on the above, the State Engineer's Office cannot recommend approval of the full reclamation responsibility release for the site. The applicant may contact the State Engineer's Office with any questions.

