

West Farm Pit / M-2008-078 / TR-05 / Adequacy Review

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Amy –

Attached is our response to the adequacy review letter you provided to us on July 9, 2019 for the West Farm Pit Technical Revision No. 5. Please let me know if you have any questions. We will send a hard copy out in the mail to you.

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August 5, 2019

Ms. Amy Eschberger Environmental Protection Specialist State of Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining, & Safety 1313 Sherman Street – Room 215 Denver, CO 80203

Re: West Farm Pit, Permit No. M-2008-078, Technical Revision No. 5 (TR-05), Adequacy Review No. 1 Response

Ms. Eschberger,

We have received the Division's Technical Revision No. 5 Adequacy Review No. 1 comments relating to Prowers Aggregate Operators, LLC (PAO) permit number M-2008-078. PAO offers the following responses addressing the Division's comments.

1) Please provide more details on the proposed conveyor system, including its approximate dimensions, the type of support pads/footings, and the number of support pads/footings required.

The conveyor will be approximately 5 feet wide and have support legs approximately 10 feet apart. The support legs will rest on 4 in x 4 in x 8 ft long wood ties, which will be placed directly on the ground surface. See the photo of a similar conveyor below. There will be approximately 3,500 lineal feet of conveyor running from the west processing area, to the south across CR HH.5, then to the west within Parcel B of the permit area. Approximately 350 wood ties will be required under the conveyor support legs.

Two washer screens will be located near the start of the conveyor to wash product before it is placed on the conveyor. These screens will have 12 ft x 19 ft x 1 ft thick concrete pads under them, placed directly on the ground surface.

On Parcel B where the conveyor turns to the west, a conveyor head unit will be placed to maintain tension in the conveyor belt. The head unit will have a 16 ft x 35 ft x 8 in thick concrete pad under it placed directly on the ground surface. See the attached Overland Head Section drawing.

On Parcel B there will be 5 radial conveyor stackers. At the start of each stacker there will be portable concrete block to anchor the stackers to. The blocks will be 4 ft x 4f ft x 2 ft thick, placed directly on the ground surface.

See the attached revised Exhibit C-1 Pre-Mining/Mining Plan Map showing the layout of the conveyor, culvert, and radial stackers.

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2) Please describe the surface disturbance to occur, if any, for installation and/or reclamation of the proposed overland conveyor system, including the portion to run beneath County Road HH.5. Will a portion of the county road need to be excavated to install the culvert?

Areas under the conveyor system will be cleared and leveled prior to placing the wood ties and/or concrete pads on the ground surface. The culvert will run above existing grade (see response to comment 3 below) with fill materials placed over the culvert and roadway surface.

3) Please provide more details on the portion of the proposed conveyor system to be installed beneath County Road HH.5, including the design drawing(s) for the culvert installation.

The conveyor will run through a 10 ft diameter corrugated metal culvert across CR HH.5. This culvert will be placed at existing grade across CR HH.5. Pit run material will then be placed over the culvert and on top of CR HH.5 approaching the culvert to regrade CR HH.5 in this area, allowing CR HH.5 to pass over the culvert. See the attached CR HH.5 plan and profile and culvert crossing drawings.

4) Please provide a detailed reclamation plan for the proposed conveyor system, including details of any required demolition (type, dimensions, and estimated amount/volume of materials to be demolished), disposal location(s) for demolished materials (if applicable), and any grading or revegetation work required.

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Reclamation under the conveyor will consist removing the ties and concrete pads, placing topsoil, and seeding of the disturbed areas. Note that the topsoiling and reseeding of these areas is already included in the permit. As noted previously, approximately 350 wood ties will be removed and landfilled. The concrete pads, including the washer screen pads, head unit pad, and radial stacker pads, will be broken up and either used for riprap or landfilled. The total volume of concrete to be broken up and removed is:

Washer Screen Pads (2 pads x 12 ft x 19 ft x 1 ft thick):	17 cubic yards
Head Unit Pad (1 pad x 16 ft x 35 ft x 8 in thick):	14 cubic yards
Radial Stacker Pads (2 pads x 5 x 4 ft x 4 ft x 2 ft thick):	6 cubic yards
Total:	37 cubic yards

Because all concrete pads will rest on the existing ground surface no backfill will be required after removal of the pads.

The culvert and pit run materials placed on CR HH.5 and over the culvert will be removed and the road restored to its original grade. 100 lineal feet of culvert and approximately 9,125 cubic yards of pit run will be removed to restore the road to its original grade.

5) Please specify any permits, licenses, or approvals that will be required for the installation, operation, or reclamation of the proposed conveyor system. Has the county been notified of the proposed project involving the county road?

The County is aware of the proposed culvert installation project. PAO has an existing agreement with the County to maintain CR HH.5 in the vicinity of the pit during the mining activities. PAO is in the process of amending their existing Special Use Permit with Prowers County to include the conveyor system and install the culvert across CR HH.5.

6) Please provide sufficient details in the reclamation bond estimate for the Division to calculate the required bond, including number of concrete conveyor support pads to be removed, dimensions of the culvert to be removed, disposal costs for demolished materials (if necessary), and estimated volume of backfill material.

The type and quantities of materials to be removed are listed above in the response to comment 4. A revised Exhibit L Reclamation Cost Summary Table and revised financial warranty requirement calculations are attached with unit costs for each reclamation quantity.

7) Please provide a revised reclamation plan map including the proposed conveyor system reclamation.

The final reclamation plan for the pit does not change due to the addition of a conveyor system. A revised Exhibit L Reclamation Phasing Map is attached which shows the conveyor system.

Sincerely,

Todd Yee / **J&T Consulting, Inc.**

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Attachments:

Revised Exhibit C1 – Pre-Mining/Mining Plan Map GA Overland Head Section Drawing CR HH.5 Plan and Profile Drawing CR HH.5 Culvert Crossing Drawing Revised Exhibit L Reclamation Cost Summary Table Revised Financial Warranty Requirement Calculations Revised Exhibit L Reclamation Phasing Map

Cc: Prowers Aggregate Operators, LLC. File





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Reclamation Cost Summary				
	Financial	Cumulative		
	Warranty	Financial		
Item	Required	Warranty		
DRMS Amendment 01 Calculated Bond	\$1,849,793	\$1,849,793		
Conveyor System and Culvert Removal	\$66,339	\$1,916,132		





Summary of Reclamation Bond Costs

Reclamation Operation	Quantity	Unit	Unit Cost	Cost
Amendment 01 Bond Costs				
DRMS Calculated Bond	1	ls	\$1,849,793	\$1,849,793
Items Added in Technical Revision 5				
Removal of Disposal of Conveyor Support Wood Ties	350.00	ea	\$10	\$3,500
Demolition & Removal of Concrete Washer Screen Pads	17.00	су	\$500	\$8,500
Demolition & Removal of Concrete Head Unit Pad	14.00	су	\$500	\$7,000
Demolition & Removal of Concrete Radial Stacker Pads	6.00	cy	\$500	\$3,000
Removal of Pit Run Material from CH HH.5	9,125.00	cy	\$2	\$18,250
Removal of CMP Culvert	1.00	ls	\$15,000	\$15,000
		Te	otal Direct Cost	\$55,250
	Overhead	and Profit	Cost (13.07%)	\$7,221
	Contract Cost		\$62,471	
	Proje	ect Manag	jement (7.00%)	\$3,868
Additional Warranty Required For Technical Revision 5 Items				\$66,339
Total Financial Warranty Required For All Phases				\$1,916,132

