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**FW: Dakolios 112319**

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Sat, Nov 23, 2019 at 1:03 PM

Good Afternoon Peter. It's Saturday – so you won't likely see this until you arrive Monday.

Please pan down for a short written reply and description of related photographs – This was a bit weird to send using pictures from my i-Phone but if you navigate through it below, I trust it will reveal good things. I'm just hoping they make it to you in the GB limits of the e-Mail pipeline. Please start panning and enjoy the show!

Brad.

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**From:** [Bradford Janes](#)  
**Sent:** Saturday, November 23, 2019 12:10 PM  
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The five pictures above are at the entrance to Dakolios. The first is a panorama and the others individual of the same area.

They reveal well established weed sources on the adjacent lands to the North of us.

Established weed sources are on all adjacent properties, and vectored also by wind, water, wildlife, vehicles and people.

We work with the Weld County Weed Control Department in attempting to improve matters – but it is a regional problem, not just a local or property one.

Most of what follows I think you will recognize. If not – let me know and we can go over them by phone or I can spend a little more time detailing it for you. My main purpose today was to report on what I saw as evidenced in these photos. I was genuinely pleased by it all and surprised, including the lack of snow cover as Johnstown this AM still had cover when I left the house for this site.

What you should see:

1. All lands are orderly, tilled of vegetation and weeds as in the stockpile, yards, and other released areas; or as they appear on the basin banks and buffer areas that were seeded, inter-seeded in places, and mowed.
2. The mowing is working I think. I empirically view preferred perennial grasses are spreading while weeds are static or beaten back. I was especially pleased to see improvement along the SE Basin. The overall site appearance is striking I think, and the improving nature of it obvious in most areas. Portions of the treated areas along the ditch buffer are lagging.
3. There is a snapshot of Farm Equipment parked in the released yard that shows a financial commitment and ability to maintain these lands. I hope the pictures speak a thousand words so I'm trying to spare you some of mine. Look it over and we can discuss or correspond, but I think they well evidence the labor over the intervening time – and the delay in getting this to you – while it failed the paper deadline – I think well lived up to what was more important – actual work on the affected lands that in virtually all areas appears to be working well as a method of site recovery.

Please let me know your thoughts. I hope this helps abate any concerns you or the Office may have – but know we are ready and willing to work with you as is fitting.

Many kind regards for Thanksgiving and the days ahead, Peter. Thank-you again for your kind consideration.

All the best!

Brad Janes

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