



Response to Notice of 112c Construction Materials Reclamation Permit Partial Acreage Release  
Request Consideration

To: Peter S. Hays, Environmental Protection Specialist  
From: Justina P. Mickelson, Physical Science Researcher/Scientist  
Date: January 7, 2020  
Re: Operator: Oldcastle SW Group, Inc. dba united Companies; Camilletti Pit (AKA – Hayden Gravel Pit); Permit No. M-1987-164-AR01  
Section 11, Twp 6 N, Rng 88 W, 6th P.M.; Routt County

---

**CONDITIONS FOR APPROVAL**

The proposal is for a Technical Revision request to add a temporary office and shop (vehicle maintenance building), for the duration of the operations and then as part of the reclamation of the pit. A new water well and septic system will be installed to serve the buildings, for drinking and sanitary purposes. Furthermore, after mining operations and reclamation, the landowner would have the option to keep the water well to serve other purposes.

According to the DRMS permit file, the Hayden Pit would remain a dry mining operation with no groundwater dewatering being necessary. A valid well permit must be obtained for any exposure of ground water occurring during or after mining operations, and for any ground water uses.

At this time, this office has not received a well permit application to construct a new well for this site. The applicant may apply to construct a new well for the temporary office and shop. Any change of use of an existing well permit would require a new well permit application.

This gravel pit is located in an area where ground water is still available for appropriation and a well permit may be issued on the basis that water is available for appropriation; however, the well may be subject to administration in the water rights priority system in the future.

If storm water is not diverted or captured in priority, Colorado Water Law requires it to be released, or replacement for evaporation will be required of the impounder/operator/owner of the gravel pit. The State Engineer's current policy requires that all impounded water be released to the stream system within a maximum of 72 hours after impoundment. Unless captured in priority, impounded water may not be used for any purpose except as approved under a water supply plan or decreed plan for augmentation.

---

**COMMENTS**

This office has no objections to the Notice of 112c Construction Materials Reclamation Permit Partial Acreage Release Request Consideration so long as the site operates under a valid well permit for any ground water exposure or use.

The applicant may contact the State Engineer's Office with any questions.

Cc: Division 6 Engineer  
District 57 Water Commissioner

