



Julie Mikulas  
Regional Land Manager

April 8, 2020

Mr. Elliott Russell  
Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety  
1313 Sherman Street, Room 215  
Denver, CO 80203

RE: M-1985-218, Rich Pit

Dear Mr. Russell:

In 1996, Amendment 01 for the above referenced mine permit was approved. Although the mine plan showed 282.0 acres of affected ground in the 364.88-acre permit, part of that approval limited the amount of open water and active excavation to 31.1 acres because of water rights available to our predecessor at the time. Any additional mining beyond 31.1 acres of lake surface would require a technical revision to show additional water had become available.

Based on my review of your files, our files and aerial photography, there were two mining areas opened up, one on the west side containing 16.7 acres and one on the east side containing 18.3 acres. In the mid-1990s river flooding caused the 18.3-acre lake to be filled in with silt and a good amount of vegetation has reclaimed the area thus no longer requiring augmentation. Martin Marietta has not included the 18.3 acres in the Substitute Water Supply Plans for the last 8 years.

Martin Marietta has begun stripping additional area and will limit the active pit and areas that could cause water exposure to 14.4 acres (31.1 acres - 16.7 acres). Any additional stripping beyond the 14.4 acres will stay above the high-water table until a Substitute Water Supply Plan is approved and the Technical Revision is filed.

Should you have any additional questions, please contact me at (970) 227-4041.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Julie Mikulas".

Julie Mikulas  
Regional Land Manager

Cc: Phillip Courtney, Land Manager