



September 25, 2020

Julie Mikulas
Martin Marietta Materials, Inc.
1800 N. Taft Hill Road
Fort Collins, CO 80521

Re: Three Bells Pit, Permit No. M-1979-191, Approval of Corrective Action Date Extension

Ms. Mikulas:

On September 25, 2020, the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) received your request to extend the corrective action date for the following problems identified in the Division's July 28, 2020 inspection report:

INSPECTION TOPIC: Revegetation

PROBLEM: There are state-listed noxious weeds present on site. This is a problem for failure to employ weed control methods for all prohibited noxious weed species within the permitted area, and to reduce the spread of weeds to nearby areas as required by Rule 3.1.10(6).

CORRECTIVE ACTIONS: By the corrective action date, the operator shall either implement the existing weed control plan and submit photographic evidence demonstrating this has been done, or develop a new weed control and management plan in accordance with Rule 3.1.10(6) and submit this plan as a Technical Revision to the approved plan with the required \$216.00 fee. The proposed weed control and management plan should be developed in consultation with the county extension agency or weed control district office, and should include specific control measures to be applied, a schedule for when control measures will be applied, and a post-treatment monitoring plan.

NEW CORRECTIVE ACTION DUE DATE: October 10, 2020

INSPECTION TOPIC: Hydrologic Balance

PROBLEM: There are volunteer trees and other woody vegetation growing along the pit/reservoir walls which were clay-lined to prevent the exposure of groundwater. The penetration of the clay liner by the roots of these plants could potentially compromise the integrity of the clay liner, causing groundwater to enter the pit/reservoir. This is a problem related to C.R.S. 34-32.5-116(4)(h) and Rule 3.1.6(1)(a) governing injury to existing water rights.

CORRECTIVE ACTIONS: By the corrective action date, the operator shall remove all trees and other woody vegetation from the pit/reservoir walls in a manner that protects the integrity of the clay liner, and provide photographic evidence demonstrating this has been done.

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The Division has approved your extension request, giving the new corrective action due dates listed above.



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If you have any questions, you may contact me by telephone at 303-866-3567, ext. 8129, or by email at amy.eschberger@state.co.us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Amy Eschberger". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Amy Eschberger
Environmental Protection Specialist

Cc: Michael Cunningham, DRMS