



Response to Surety Release Request Consideration

DATE: January 11, 2021
TO: Peter S. Hays, Environmental Protection Specialist
CC: Division 1 Office, District 3 Water Commissioner
FROM: Ioana Comaniciu, P.E.
RE: Raindance Sand and Gravel Mine, Permit No. M-2004-022-[SL-02](#)
Operator: Raindance Aquatic Investments, LLC
Contact: Raindance Aquatic Investments, LLC - 970-686-5828
Sections 29 and 30, Twp 6 North, Rng 67 West, 6th P.M., Weld County

CONDITIONS FOR APPROVAL

Raindance Aquatic Investments, LLC requested the Surety Release for the Raindance Sand and Gravel Mine, Permit no. M2004-022. The Raindance Sand and Gravel Mine is primarily located in the NW1/4 of Section 29 and the E1/2 of Section 30, all in Township 6 North, Range 67 West of the 6th P.M., and contains one lined pond, designated as the Raindance River (WDID 0303794). The liner for Raindance River was approved on March 10, 2008 as meeting the design standard referenced in the August 1999 State Engineer Guidelines for Lining Criteria for Gravel Pits (1999 SEO Guidelines). Storage water rights for Raindance River were decreed in case nos. 04CW346 and 08CW065 with a storage capacity of 500 acre-feet, conditional. In the decree in case no. 14CW3027, 301.5 acre-feet were made absolute based on the actual storage capacity of the Raindance River of 305.6 acre-feet and 79.1 acre-feet remaining as conditional. The remaining 119.4 acre-feet of conditional storage rights were abandoned.

Based on the above, the State Engineer's Office has no objection to the Surety Release request for the Raindance Sand and Gravel Mine, Permit no. M2004-022. Water shall not be impounded in the Raindance River except pursuant to lawful diversions allowed by statute or decree. At all other times, all inflow of water into the reservoir from any source, including precipitation and ground water inflows, shall be removed by the applicant.

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

