

April 27, 2021

Memo

From: Brock Bowles

To: File

RE: Barlow Pit, Permit No. M-1974-092

Corrective Action Due Date

The Division conducted and inspection on March 19, 2021 as a follow-up to a Spill Report submitted to CDPHE by the operator on March 16, 2021. It was reported that 15 gallons of hydraulic fluid was spilled into the water pond located on the minesite. The pond is about 18 acres in size and does not connect to any other water way. The operator deployed oil absorbent devices to clean up the site on the day of the spill.

A possible problem was cited (Rule 3.6.1(1)(b)) for failure to comply with federal and Colorado water quality laws and regulations, including statewide water quality laws and regulations, including statewide water quality standards.

One of the corrective actions to remediate the problem was for the operator to take a water sample and submit it for analysis to determine that the remaining spilled diesel was cleaned up (Rule 3.6.1(1)(b)). The water sample needed to be taken within two weeks of the date of the inspection (by April 2, 2021). The test results will then be submitted to DRMS within 1 week of receipt. The corrective action due date was April 30, 2021.

Mr. Grant Weaver of Central Sand and Gravel called today to give and update. The water sample was taken on April 2, 2021 and sent to a lab for testing. Mr. Weaver has not received the results of the lab test as of today. He committed to send the results to DRMS as soon as he receives them but that he will most likely not have the results by the corrective action due date.

