



COLORADO
Division of Reclamation,
Mining and Safety
Department of Natural Resources

Date: _____

RE: Need for State Reclamation Permit: “Is It Mining?”

Name: _____

Street

Address: _____

Telephone: () _____

Mobile: () _____

Email

Address: _____

Enclosed are pertinent sections of the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board (Board) Rules governing activities that do not require a reclamation permit. To determine if you need a permit for you proposed activity, first check Rule 1.2 which describes activities the Board has determined do not require state reclamation permits. If you find a match, you can proceed based on your interpretation of the rule, but at your own risk. If you are uncertain how the Rule may apply to your activity, you should answer the list of questions below with as much detail as possible. Please feel free to use additional paper, maps, and attachments to explain your project.

Please include in your determination request answers to the following questions:

1. Please provide the legal location of the proposed project and submit a site map that clearly delineates the location of the proposed extraction site and the location of the nearest city, town, and county location name.

Section: _____

Township: _____

Range: _____

PM _____

Or NAD 27 X UTM
GPS _____

Y UTM _____

Direction and Miles to
nearest town/city: _____

County: _____



2. Is the site of material extraction on public or privately owned property?

Public

Private

3. What type(s) of material or metal is/are proposed to be extracted and describe the physical nature of the site i.e., river terrace, rocky knob, in-stream gravel deposit, etc.?

4. What processing or extraction method(s) will be used on site? Include any equipment or chemical(s) that will be used in the processing and extraction of the materials.

5. Will the extracted material be hauled offsite or used on the same parcel of property where the material is extracted?

6. How will the extracted material be used on site?

7. If the material is hauled offsite, where will it be hauled to and what is the intended use?

8. What is the approximate areal extent of the proposed extraction in acres?

9. To what approximate depth will the extraction extend?

10. In cubic yards, approximately how much material will be removed:

11. Will material extraction involve the use of explosives?

Yes ____ No ____

12. Will site of extraction result in the exposure of tributary ground water?

Yes ____ No ____

13. Will either the landowner or the mine site operator receive any type of compensation, i.e., monetary, in-kind, haulage fees, etc., from the proposed material extraction?

Yes ____ No ____

14. Please supply a copy of any documents that will ensure that the area of extraction will be reclaimed to some beneficial land use once extraction activities have been completed.

15. Do you have permits for this activity from any other governmental agencies such as building, construction, or grading permits, and if so, what are they?

16. Are there state/federal/local agency participants in terms of funding?

	Yes	No
Funding	Yes ____	No ____
Design	____	____

Percentages

State _____ Federal _____ Local Agency _____

17. What post mining land uses will be made of the extraction and why? (This question helps us determine the intent of the activity.)

18. What types and sizes of equipment will be used in the extraction?

Please send the completed questionnaire to the Division at the address above for review. The Board has directed the Division to make a decision based on the information you have supplied. We trust that the activities will be performed as represented. If we receive a complaint, we are required by law to conduct an inspection of the site. Which could result in a violation, a cease and desist order, and other corrective actions including submittal of a permit application.

If you have any questions, please contact the Division at (303)866-3567. Please feel free to visit our web site at: <https://colorado.gov/drms> for further access to the full Act and Rules governing extraction of metals, non-metals, and construction materials in the State of Colorado.

Sincerely,

Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety Staff

Enclosure: Rule 1.2 excerpt for Hard Rock Metal Mines and Construction Materials
Rule 1.2 excerpt for Hard Rock/Metal Mining

1.2 SCOPE OF RULES AND ACTIVITIES THAT DO NOT REQUIRE A RECLAMATION PERMIT

1.2.1 Specified by Rule

The Board has determined that certain types of activities do not need reclamation permits either because the excavated substance is not a mineral as defined in Section 34-32-103(7), Colorado Revised Statutes 1984, as amended or because the activity is not a mining operation as defined by Section 34-32-103(8), C.R.S. 1984, as amended. Such activities include the following:

- (a) the exploration and extraction of natural petroleum in a liquid or gaseous state by means of wells or pipe;
- (b) the development or extraction of coal (refer to the Colorado Surface Coal Mining Reclamation Act Section 34-33-101, et seq., C.R.S. 1984, as amended);
- (c) smelting, refining, cleaning, preparation, transportation, and other off site operations not conducted on affected land;
- (d) a custom mill.

1.2 ACTIVITIES THAT DO NOT REQUIRE A RECLAMATION PERMIT

103(3) and
(13)

1.2.1 Specified by Rule

The Board has determined that certain types of activities do not need reclamation permits either because the excavated substance is not a construction material as defined in Section 34-32.5-103(3), Colorado Revised Statutes 1984, as amended or because the activity is not a mining operation as defined by Section 34-32.5-103(13), C.R.S. 1984, as amended. Such activities include the following:

- (a) the exploration and extraction of natural petroleum in a liquid or gaseous state by means of wells or pipe:
- (b) the development or extraction of coal (refer to the Colorado Surface Coal Mining Reclamation Act Section 34-33-101, et seq., C.R.S. 1984, as amended);
- (c) cleaning, preparation, transportation, and other off-site operations not conducted on permitted land: and
- (d) the extraction of geothermal or groundwater resources.

1.2.2 Reserved


1.2.3 Reserved


1.2.4 Extraction or Exploration on Federal Lands

Any person who intends to extract or explore for construction materials on federal lands shall apply for a Mined Land Reclamation Board permit or submit a Notice of Intent to conduct exploration operations unless specifically exempted by the Board according to the provisions of this Subsection 1.2.

Rockpile Locations

Legend

 Rock Stockpile

 Rockpile Road



PHOTOGRAPH LOG

Project: Cal-Wood Fire Mitigation D-B
Client: Boulder County – Parks and Open Space
Location: Heil Valley Ranch – Lefthand Canyon Drive/Geer Dr.



Photo 1



Date

5/25/2021

Time

1258

View Direction

South

Description

Rockpile along south side of ranger residence access road, rock could be pushed form shelf into truck or to roadside for pickup.

Photo 2



Date

5/25/2021

Time

1300

View Direction

South



Description

Rockpile along south side of ranger residence access road, material on shelf.

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Photo 3	
	Date
	5/25/2021
	Time
	1301
	View Direction
	Southwest
	Description
	Rockpile along south side of ranger residence access road, material on western end of shelf.
Photo 4	
	Date
	5/25/2021
	Time
	1301
	View Direction
	North
	Description
	Rockpile along south side of ranger residence access road, shelf looking down towards road.

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Photo 5	
	Date
	5/25/2021
	Time
	1302
	View Direction
	Northeast
	Description
	Rockpile along south side of ranger residence access road, access road to shelf is limited to small equipment.
Photo 6	
	Date
	5/25/2021
	Time
	1303
	View Direction
	East
	Description
	Rockpile along south side of ranger residence access road, shelf access road tie in. Will need some improvement to access.

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Photo 7

	Date
	5/25/2021
	Time
	1303
	View Direction
	East
	Description
	Rockpile along south side of ranger residence access road, access road looking east.

Photo 8

	Date
	5/25/2021
	Time
	1310
	View Direction
	South
	Description
	Rockpile accessible from the trail parking lot western side, access ties in at the water crossing of the trail parking lot.

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Photo 9


	Date
	5/25/2021
	Time
	1312
	View Direction
	South
	Description
	Rockpile accessible from the trail parking lot western side, access road with burned trees in path.

Photo 10

	Date
	5/25/2021
	Time
	1314
	View Direction
	West
	Description
	Rockpile accessible from the trail parking lot western side, Rockpile area with some debris that would need to be removed with material.

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Photo 11



	Date
	5/25/2021
	Time
	1315
	View Direction
	Northwest
	Description
	Rockpile accessible from the trail parking lot western side, western portion of Rockpile area.

Photo 12

	Date
	5/25/2021
	Time
	1318
	View Direction
	East
	Description
	Rockpile accessible from the trail parking lot western side, Rockpile area looking towards access road.

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Photo 13

	Date
	5/25/2021
	Time
	1324
	View Direction
	South
	Description
	Rockpile accessible from the trail parking lot western side, previous contractor equipment marks. Would like to minimize these or smooth out track marks if used.

Photo 14

	Date
	5/25/2021
	Time
	1335
	View Direction
	North
	Description
	Two more quarries are accessible up this roadbed but have extensive roads and will require additional approval. Materials were said to be similar to the two areas closer to the road but if extra material is needed may be accessible.