

November 10, 2021

Chris Zadel Northern Colorado Constructors 9075 Weld County Road 10 Fort Lupton, CO 80621

Re: Northern Colorado Constructors, Bennett Pit, Permit No. M-2016-085, Complaint Against Mining Operation (CT-02)

Mr. Zadel:

The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division/DRMS) received a complaint against the above referenced operation on November 9, 2021. A copy of the complaint email is enclosed for your records. The Division will contact you to schedule an inspection to investigate the complaint.

If you have any questions, please contact me at <u>peter.hays@state.co.us</u> or (303) 866-3567 Ext. 8124.

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Peter S. Hays Environmental Protection Specialist

Enclosure – Complaint Email

Ec: Jared Ebert, Division of Reclamation, Mining & Safety J.C. York, J&T Consulting, Inc.





Ebert - DNR, Jared <jared.ebert@state.co.us>

Tue, Nov 9, 2021 at 7:53 PM

Water on private property

Jerry Regan <jerrywregan1@gmail.com> To: jared.ebert@state.co.us Cc: Fred Karlik <ridgedmechanical@gmail.com>

Jared,

Thanks for taking my call yesterday and for offering to investigate this mysterious volume of water. During most of this past "dry" Colorado summer a strange and large volume of water began appearing on the Northwest corner of my client's property in Weld County. I am hopeful you can help us determine where and how the water entered his property. The attached photos will support our claim. It should be noted that the water appears to be receding but the mystery remains, where did the water come from?

The property owner is Fred Karlik . Mr. Karlik is my client. The property is located at 11170 County Road 22.5, Fort Lupton, CO 80621; legal S12 T2N R67W 6th PM, Lot 8 tract 2353.

Immediately across CR22.5 is a gravel mining operation which we think is owned by Northern Colorado Construction. We have found no evidence of a permit posted anywhere on NCC property. An earlier tract map of the vicinity shows the gravel mining operation owned by Pioneer (See attached tract map).

One possible explanation is that a suitable slurry line was never installed or improperly installed to prevent water from escaping the mining operation and leaching into neighboring properties. To my knowledge, Fred's property is the only one affected by this water. As you can see in the attached photos his access road at the Northwest corner was flooded and impassable.

Please contact Fred (phone 720-334-6868) before you inspect this claim so that he can shed additional light on this mystery. My contact information is listed below.

Thank you in advance for investigating this situation.

Jerry W. Regan Contract Land Agent 2914 Softwind Dr. Sierra Vista, AZ 85650 (cell) 303-378-5252 jerrywregan1@gmail.com

5 attachments



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