

February 14, 2022

Jodi Shreiber All-Rite Paving & Redi-Mix, Inc. P.O. Box 165 Canon City, CO 81215

RE: Lamar Pit, Permit No. M-1987-079, Technical Revision No. 3 (TR-3), Adequacy Review No. 3

Ms. Schreiber:

The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) has completed its review of your adequacy response submitted on February 11, 2022 for Technical Revision No. 3 (TR-3). After reviewing the materials submitted, the Division has identified the following adequacy items that must be addressed before an approval of TR-3 can be issued:

- 1) The Division has the following comments regarding the operator's bond estimate:
 - a. The Division estimates approximately 10,218 cy of topsoil will be needed to reclaim the site based on the proposed reclamation plan (19 acres x 4 inches replacement depth). The operator has indicated approximately 5,065 cy of topsoil is available on site for reclamation. This means 5,153 cy of topsoil will need to be imported for reclamation. The operator estimates topsoil importation costs to be \$3/cy. This estimate is significantly lower than what the Division has seen in recent years for similar sites, which is typically in the range of \$15-30/cy. <u>The Division will include a</u> topsoil importation cost of \$15/cy unless the operator can provide a minimum of two independent bids demonstrating a lower cost. Please keep in mind, the bond estimate should be reflective of the costs the Division would incur to reclaim the site in accordance with the approved plan (in the event the State had to take over reclamation liability of the site).
 - b. <u>Please provide a full revised bond estimate that incorporates the costs for importing topsoil and backfilling/grading the max 3.8 acre pit, including an updated total bond amount.</u>
- 2) The Division has the following comments regarding the Exhibit D Mining Plan Maps submitted:
 - a. <u>The adequacy response did not include an updated Mining Map Exhibit D. Please include the</u> revised version of this map.
 - b. On the Exhibit D.2 map there is a label "Temporary Processing, Storage, Stockpiling Area" located to the north of the permit area. <u>Please place this label in the correct location within the permit area or remove it from the map.</u>



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This completes the Division's 3rd adequacy review of the materials submitted for TR-3. The decision date for TR-3 is currently set for **February 19, 2022**. If additional time is needed to address the adequacy items, an extension request must be received by our office prior to the decision date.

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

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Cc: Michael Cunningham, DRMS