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Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety 1313 Sherman St., Room 215 Denver, CO 80203

Re: 112c Annual Report – Nyholt Pit (aka Mann Lakes), Permit # M-1982-147

Dear DRMS:

The Nyholt Pit (Mann Lakes) was mined for several years by Mobile Premix/LaFarge. LaFarge ceased mining operations in December 2009. Adams County accepted succession of operator in December 2009 and has been and will continue to remove stockpiled material, control noxious weeds, establish native grasses, and complete all required site reclamation.

In 2017, Adams County submitted a partial release request for 66.63 acres in order to allow for development and paving of Park Boulevard. The partial release was granted and that left a total of 242.07 acres still within the mining permit boundary.

In 2018, Adams County and our water storage partners (Todd Creek Village Metro District – TCVMD; and South Adams County Water & Sanitation District – SACWSD) for the Mann Lakes began a major construction project to fully develop the reservoirs for water storage, which included inter-connect pipelines, pump stations, and inlet and outlet structures. The project was delayed significantly in 2019 due to performance issues with the general contractor that ultimately led to legal proceedings and a settlement. TCVMD was hoping to get the construction project back on track in 2020-21 but that was delayed due to COVID. Completion of the project is now projected for late 2022.

Enclosed is a site map to show the weed mitigation work completed in 2021. We treated purple loosestrife in the bottom of Lake 1, and no mowing of the site occurred in 2021. The site was inspected on March 3, 2022 by DRMS staff. The mine identification sign was noted as missing and a permit violation, ADCO has taken corrective action and posted a sign and provided a photo to DRMS. DRMS staff recommended that ADCO apply for partial permit release of Lakes 2 and 3 after the 112 Permit Renewal is submitted and accepted for 2022. Please feel free reach out to me directly at <u>mpedrucci@adcogov.org</u> or 303-637-8014 for additional information.

Sincerely.

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