



Response to Reclamation Permit Application Consideration

DATE: May 17, 2022
TO: Patrick Lennberg, Environmental Protection Specialist
CC: Division 1 Office, District 2 Water Commissioner
FROM: Ioana Comaniciu, P.E.
RE: Wattenberg Disturbance Reclamation, Permit No. M-2022-021
Operator: Aggregate Industries - WCR, Inc.
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Sec. 30, Twp. 1N, Rng. 66W, 6th P.M., Weld County

CONDITIONS FOR APPROVAL

- ☒ The proposed operation does not anticipate exposing groundwater. Therefore, exposure of ground water must not occur during or after mining operations.
- ☒ The applicant has indicated that the 1.5 acres area covered by this application is adjacent to the existing DRMS permitted area for Wattenberg Pit (Permit No. M-2004-051) and the property is owned by the City of Aurora. The application material indicates that during mining within the existing Wattenberg Pit site, topsoil was inadvertently placed on the City of Aurora property which is adjacent to and outside of the existing permitted area. As described in Exhibit D - Reclamation Plan the topsoil was subsequently removed entirely and the area was reclaimed.

COMMENTS: If stormwater runoff is intercepted by this operation and is not diverted or captured in priority, it must be released to the stream system within 72 hours. This may require a discharge permit from CDPHE-WQCD. Otherwise, the operator will need to make replacements for evaporation.

