

May 19, 2022

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RE: 23 Road Pit, Permit No. M1979-089
Technical Revision (TR-8), Adequacy Review-1

Dear Ms. Yeldell:

Please accept this letter on behalf of Elam Construction, Inc. as the response to the adequacy review from your office dated May 16, 2022. The outstanding items for the 23 Road Pit Technical Revision are addressed below:

- 1. Regarding pond dewatering, what is the inflow rate for each pond?*

The pump rate used to dewater each pond is 350 gallons per minute. It can be assumed that the inflow rate is less than this dewatering rate.

- 2. Map F-1 depicts areas to be reclaimed as riparian. Please provide the riparian seed mix to be utilized.*

The riparian seed mix to be used is as follows:

<u>Species</u>	<u>Pounds of pure live seed per acre (drilled)</u>
Slender Wheatgrass	3.0
Basin Wildrye	1.5
Inland Saltgrass	1.0
Alkali Sacaton	1.0
Timothy	1.0
Redtop Grass	1.0
Carex Seed	1.0
Common Reedgrass	0.5
Canadian Reedgrass	0.5
Total	10.5

3. *A building is located to the southeast of pond 4, will a road be required to access this building post reclamation? If so please depict it on map F-1. Similarly if any other interstitial roads to the ponds are to remain please depict them.*

Please see the revised Exhibit F Map for site access roads. Access to the site and structure in question will be from 23 Road as depicted in the map. No internal roads will be left in place.

4. *Note that the Division will rip (decompact) all soil in the stockyard areas that will be reclaimed as rangeland prior to topsoil replacement.*

This has been noted and aligns with the reclamation plan and bond calculation provided. Ripping costs are accounted for in the topsoiling and discing items of the reclamation bond calculation

Regards,



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