



July 29, 2022

Todd Stockebrand
Asphalt Constructors, Inc.
7040 Highway 160 West
Alamosa, CO 81101

RE: Del Norte West Valley Pit, M-2001-069, Technical Revision No. 2 Preliminary Adequacy Review

Dear Mr. Stockebrand:

The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) is in the process of reviewing the Technical Revision No. 2 application in order to ensure that it adequately satisfies the requirements of the Colorado Land Reclamation Act for the Extraction of Construction Materials and the associated Mineral Rules and Regulations of the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board for the Extraction of Construction Materials. During review of the material submitted, the Division determined that the following issues of concern shall be adequately addressed before the application can be considered for approval.

6.4.4 EXHIBIT D - Mining Plan

1. Exhibit D (E)(iii)(4) states that only 800 linear feet of highwall will exist at any one time. The northern wall of the pit will be exposed during mining in Phase. Please state in this section what the slope of the north wall will be during mining and then the final slope it will be reclaimed to.
2. Exhibit D (E)(iii)(7) references that seeding of the distributed topsoil and subsoil once two or three acres is ready. Please include a statement in this paragraph where the reader can locate the approved seedmix for the permit that will be used during reclamation.
3. Map C.3 does not show the contours of the mined pit after Phase V is completed. Please revise the map to show the contours of the pit as they have been shown in Phases III and IV. The stockpiles for this phase should be shown located in Phase VI as stated in the cover letter.

6.4.6 EXHIBIT F - Reclamation Plan

4. The TR-2 application did not include an updated Exhibit F reclamation plan map. A new reclamation plan map needs to be submitted to reflect the activities proposed for the Phase V area. The map must include all items required by Rule 6.4.6.

6.4.12 EXHIBIT L - Reclamation Costs

5. Please provide the push distance needed to place the topsoil from the topsoil stockpile to



the reclaimed Phase V area.

This concludes the Division's preliminary adequacy review of the Rifle Gravel Pit #1's Amendment No. Application. Please submit your response(s) to the above listed issue(s) by Wednesday, August 03, 2022 in order to allow the Division sufficient time for review. The decision date for your application is scheduled for August 5, 2022. The Division will continue to review your application and will contact you if additional information is needed.

If you require additional information, or have questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Clayton Wein". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

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cc: Travis Marshal, Senior Environmental Protection Specialist