



COLORADO
Division of Reclamation,
Mining and Safety
Department of Natural Resources

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Kristin McCrea
City of Lamar
102 E. Parmenter St.
Lamar, CO 81052

RE: Lamar East Pit, Permit No. M-1977-572, Approval of Corrective Action Extension

Ms. McCrea:

The Division is providing the following status update on the problem cited in its inspection report for the Lamar East Pit, signed on August 11, 2022:

INSPECTION TOPIC: Revegetation

PROBLEM: There are state-listed noxious weeds present on site, particularly Tamarisk (Salt Cedar). This is a problem for failure to employ weed control methods for state listed noxious weed species within the permitted area, and to reduce the spread of weeds to nearby areas as required by Rule 3.1.10(6).

CORRECTIVE ACTIONS: The operator shall implement the approved weed control plan for the site and provide proof to the Division that this has been done by the corrective action date. If a weed control plan is not already in place, the operator shall develop a weed control and management plan in accordance with Rule 3.1.10(6). This plan should be developed in consultation with the county extension agency or weed control district office, and should include specific control measures to be applied, a schedule for when control measures will be applied, and a post-treatment monitoring plan. This weed control plan shall be submitted to the Division as a Technical Revision, with the appropriate fee of \$216.00, by the corrective action date.

CORRECTIVE ACTION DUE DATE: ~~October 10, 2022~~ **January 8, 2022**

STATUS UPDATE: *On October 10, 2022, the operator requested a 6 month extension of the corrective action due date. The operator has already had 60 days to address this issue, and the Division believes approving an additional 180 days at this point would be inappropriate. Therefore, the Division is approving a 90 day extension, to January 8, 2022.*

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

Sincerely,

Amy Eschberger
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Cc: Michael Machone, City of Lamar
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