

Department of Natural Resources

January 11, 2023

Mark Carrigan Riverside Aggregates, LLC 30687 County Road 19 Lamar, CO 81052

Re: #2 Verhoeff Pit - File No. M-2008-013 Riverside Aggregates, LLC Surety Release Request (SL-1) Request for Full Release of Permit Area

Dear Mark Carrigan:

On January 11, 2023 the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety considered your request for a financial warranty release. The Division found that reclamation had not been accomplished at this site and denied this request. During the inspection, little suitable vegetation growth was observed on the slopes or within the pit area. The majority of the site is bare earth. The site looks as expected for a gravel pit recently graded and seeded. Please review the December 14, 2022 inspection report for the specific reasons for the financial warranty release denial.

In accordance with Rule 1.4.11, any person who can demonstrate that they are directly and adversely affected or aggrieved by an action of the Office, may petition for a hearing before the Board on such action within thirty (30) days of the date of the Office decision, if the decision was a denial, without a hearing. Such petitions for a hearing shall state how the petitioner is directly and adversely affected or aggrieved by the Office's decision, and how the petitioner's interests are entitled to protection under the Act. The petitioner shall list and explain any issue the petitioner believes should be considered by the Board at the hearing on the matter. The petition for a hearing shall specify the application or file number assigned by the Office.

If you have any questions, please contact me by telephone at (303) 866-3567 x 8126, or by email at nikie.gagnon@state.co.us.

Sincerely,

Nikie C. Gagnon

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**Environmental Protection Specialist** 

cc: Amy Eschberger, Senior EPS, DRMS

