



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

January 26, 2023

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

**RE: Lamar East Pit, Permit No. M-1977-572, Status of Required Corrective Actions**

Ms. McCrea:

The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) has the following status update on the problem cited in its August 11, 2022 inspection report:

**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.

**STATUS UPDATE:** *On January 25, 2023, the operator provided the Division with photographic documentation demonstrating the approved weed control plan has been implemented to address the Tamarisk. Therefore, this problem is considered abated.*

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](mailto:amy.eschberger@state.co.us).

Sincerely,

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