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Division of Reclamation,
Mining and Safety
Department of Natural Resources

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Jason Burkey
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**Re: Adequacy Review 2, Technical Revision No. TR2
Tellier Gravel Pit, Permit No. M-1998-058**

Dear Mr. Burkey,

On January 25, 2023, the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) received your adequacy review responses for your Technical Revision (TR2) for the Tellier Gravel Pit, File No. M-1998-058. During the review of the material submitted, the Division determined that the following additional items need to be adequately addressed before TR2 can be considered for approval. On January 26, 2023, the Division received your request to extend the decision date by 30 days. **The Division has approved this request and is now required to make an approval or denial decision no later than February 27, 2023.** Please respond to this Adequacy Review with the requested information and summarize each response to the numbered items below, in a cover letter titled "Adequacy Review Responses 2, TR2, M-1998-058".

8. In response to Item 1, you clarified the new seed mix proposed in TR2 will cover the entire site, therefore replacing the two approved reclamation seed mixtures (one for the general mine area and one for the wetland areas). Based on the species, the proposed TR2 seed mix is considered a pasture/rangeland mixture and would not be appropriate for the wetlands areas. The two small wetland areas, which were proposed and approved as an aspect of the reclamation plan to mitigate the impacts to existing wetlands at the site, are to be seeded by the following mix: Reed Canarygrass (5 PLS/acre), Tall Fescue (5 PLS/acre), Redtop (5 PLS/acre), and Strawberry Clover (5 PLS/acre) with willows and Narrowleaf Cottonwood plantings. Please confirm the seed mix proposed in TR2 replaces the mix for only the general mine area. You may also use TR2 to propose a revised, but still appropriate, seed mix for the wetland areas.
9. In response to Item 7, you provided an updated reclamation plan map. This updated map does not contain the depiction of the two approved wetland areas. Please revise the submitted map to show the wetland areas as referenced on currently approved reclamation plan map, received October 26, 1998 (enclosed).

This concludes the Division's second adequacy review of this revision. If you have any questions, please contact me at 303-866-3567 ext. 8132 or elliott.russell@state.co.us.

Sincerely,

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Cc: Michael Cunningham, Division of Reclamation, Mining & Safety

