

February 2, 2023

Ms. Nikie Gagnon Environmental Protection Specialist Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining, and Safety (DRMS)

Re: Status of Reclamation Activities at ASCI's Speer Mining Resource DRMS Permit No. M-1983-176

Ms. Gagnon:

Asphalt Specialties Co., Inc. (ASCI) is providing this letter to update DRMS on the status of reclamation activities at the Speer Mining Resource (Site). In the summer of 2022, ASCI commenced reclamation activities as detailed in the tentative schedule submitted to DRMS on May 9, 2022. These activities included backfilling the pond to reduce the size to approximately 2-acres as detailed in approved Technical Revision (TR-4) prior to installing the clay liner. The location of the pond will be on property owned by the adjacent landowner, Mr. Raymond Crom. ASCI is building the pond to comply with our obligation to construct a sealed clay-lined water storage reservoir on Mr. Crom's property. However, after construction of the pond is complete, ASCI will leave the water storage pond dry as it is not ASCI's responsibility to supply water for the pond.

On August 30, 2022, ASCI received a letter from an attorney representing Mr. Crom directing ASCI to cease and desist land moving and backfilling activities on Mr. Crom's property. Since that time, ASCI has been unable to access Mr. Crom's property to complete reclamation of the clay-lined pond and French drain. ASCI has pursued reaching a resolution with Mr. Crom that would allow us to complete reclamation activities, but this effort has taken longer than expected and a mutually agreed upon solution has yet to be reached. It is ASCI's intention to resume and complete the remaining reclamation activities as soon as possible; however, ASCI will be unable to provide a schedule for completion until this issue is resolved. The following table reflects the status of the reclamation activities previously submitted to DRMS.

Reclamation Activity	Tentative Date for Activity to be Initiated By
Submit Technical Revision to Update Permit	Complete



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Reclamation Activity	Tentative Date for Activity to be Initiated By
Fill in Stormwater Collection Area	Complete
Topsoiling	Complete
Completing Phase II of French Drain	To Be Determined (TBD)
Clay Line Pond	TBD
Seeding	TBD

Please contact me at 720-322-7055 or <u>GregG@asphaltspecialties.com</u> if additional information or further clarification is needed.

Sincerely,

Greg Geras Land Resource Manager <u>GregG@asphaltspecialties.com</u> Asphalt Specialties Co., Inc.



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RE: Inspection Report, Speer Mining, M1983-176

1 message

Greg Geras <GregG@asphaltspecialties.com> Mon, May 9, 2022 at 9:46 AM To: "Lennberg - DNR, Patrick" <patrick.lennberg@state.co.us>, "Gagnon - DNR, Nikie" <nikie.gagnon@state.co.us>

Good Morning Patrick and Nikie:

Please find the attached Tentative Schedule for Reclamation Activities to be Initiated at ASCI's Speer Mining Resource. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,

Greg Geras

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To: Greg Geras <GregG@asphaltspecialties.com>
Subject: Inspection Report, Speer Mining, M1983-176

[External Email]

Good Morning Greg,

Please find attached to this email a copy of the Division's inspection report for the site visit on March 3, 2022.

A hard copy will not be mailed unless specifically requested.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,

Patrick

Patrick Lennberg

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May 9, 2022

Mr. Patrick Lennberg & Ms. Nikie Gagnon Environmental Protection Specialists Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining, and Safety (DRMS)

Re: Tentative Schedule for Reclamation Activities to be Initiated Asphalt Specialties Co., Inc. (ASCI) Speer Mining Resource DRMS Permit No. M-1983-176

Mr. Lennberg & Ms. Gagnon:

As requested during the March 3, 2022 site inspection, the following table details the tentative schedule for reclamation activities to be initiated by ASCI at the Speer Mining Resource.

Reclamation Activity	Tentative Date for Activity to be Initiated By
Submit Technical Revision to Update Permit	July 15, 2022
Completing Phase II of French Drain	August 15, 2022
Fill in Stormwater Collection Area	October 1, 2022
Clay Line Pond	October 1, 2022
Topsoil and Seeding	October 31, 2022

This tentative schedule reflects ASCI's current timing estimates to-date. However, delays may be incurred should Adams County have any requirements related to reclamation activities. Should changes to this schedule become necessary, ASCI will submit a revised schedule to DRMS as soon as possible.

Please contact me at 720-322-7055 or <u>GregG@asphaltspecialties.com</u> if additional information or further clarification is needed.

Sincerely,

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