



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

February 14, 2023

Keith Laube  
Montrose County  
63160 LaSalle Rd  
Montrose, CO 81401

**Re: Thompson Pit – File No. M-2022-046**  
**Montrose County**  
**112c Construction Materials**  
**Reclamation Application**

Dear Mr. Laube:

On February 14, 2023 the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety concluded its review of the Construction Materials Reclamation Permit Application submitted to the Division on November 7, 2022. The decision reached by the Division is: Awaiting warranty. No financial warranty was set by the Division for this operation. However, you must submit a performance warranty in order for us to issue a permit. We have enclosed a performance warranty form with this letter for your use. Please have the performance warranty signed by an appropriate official and notarized, and return it to us.

**PLEASE NOTE THAT MINING OPERATIONS MAY NOT COMMENCE UNTIL A PERMIT HAS BEEN ISSUED BY THE DIVISION AFTER RECEIPT OF YOUR PERFORMANCE WARRANTY. A PERMIT CANNOT BE ISSUED UNTIL WE HAVE VERIFIED THE ADEQUACY OF YOUR PERFORMANCE WARRANTY.**

M-2022-046: Approved Surety and Acreage	
Reclamation Liability (Required Surety):	\$0.00
Approved Permit Acreage:	120.60
Approved Affected Acreage:	120.60

If you have any questions, please contact me by telephone at (303) 866-3567 x 8188, or by email at [Dustin.czapla@state.co.us](mailto:Dustin.czapla@state.co.us)

Sincerely,

Dustin M. Czapla



Environmental Protection Specialist

cc: Keith Laube



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**PERFORMANCE WARRANTY**

Permittee/Operator: Montrose County  
Operation known as: Thompson Pit

Permit Number: M-2022-046

This form is approved by the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board ("Board") pursuant to C.R.S. 34-32-117 of the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Act and C.R.S. 34-32.5-117 of the Colorado Land Reclamation Act for the Extraction of Construction Materials.

All parties are on Notice from this Document that:

The above listed Operator provides this warranty to the Board in conjunction with a reclamation Permit to conduct the above described mining operation on certain lands in Colorado. The "Affected Lands" are described in the above listed reclamation Permit, and include any Permit Amendment(s) approved by the Division of Reclamation Mining and Safety ("Division").

The Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Act, C.R.S. 34-32-101 et seq. ("Hard Rock Act"), and the Colorado Land Reclamation Act for the Extraction of Construction Materials, C.R.S. 34-32.5-101 et seq. ("Construction Materials Act"), both require a permit issued by the Board to include a written promise by the Operator to comply with all requirements of the Hard Rock and Construction Materials Acts (referred to herein together as "Acts").

Through the terms and conditions of this performance warranty and Permit, the Operator agrees to be bound by all requirements of the Acts and all Mineral Rules and Regulations of the Board for Hard Rock, Metal, and Designated Mining Operations (2 C.C.R. 407-1) and all Mineral Rules and Regulations of the Board for the Extraction of Construction Materials (2 C.C.R. 407-4) (referred to herein together as "Rules").

The Operator hereby provides the Board warranties of performance pursuant to C.R.S. 34-32-117(2), (3), and (4)/C.R.S. 34-32.5-117(2), (3), and (4), and promises the Board it will comply with all applicable requirements of the Acts and Rules.

The Operator hereby promises the Board it will comply with all of the terms of the reclamation Permit, including any Permit Amendment(s) approved by the Division. This performance warranty obligation of the Operator shall continue until the Operator's liability is released by the Board.

The Operator promises to be responsible for reclamation costs up to the amount established by the Board and incorporates its financial warranty to this performance warranty. The Operator agrees to maintain a financial warranty (or warranties) in good standing for the reclamation costs for the entire

life of the Permit. The amount of the financial warranty shall be sufficient to assure the completion of reclamation of affected lands if the Division has to complete such reclamation due to forfeiture. If the Board determines the Operator is in default under this performance warranty and the Operator fails to cure such default, the Operator's financial warranty shall be subject to forfeiture pursuant to C.R.S. 34-32-118/34-32.5-118.

This performance warranty by the Operator is perpetual and shall remain in full force and effect until all obligations have been met and all associated financial warranty is released by the Board. Any release of liability in a succession of Operators shall comply with C.R.S. 34-32-119/34-32.5-119.

The provisions hereof shall bind and inure to the benefit of the parties hereto and their successors and assigns.

SIGNED, SEALED AND

DATED this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_  
(date) (month) (year)

Operator: Montrose County

Signature:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_

NOTARIZATION OF OPERATOR'S ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

STATE OF \_\_\_\_\_ )  
\_\_\_\_\_ ) ss.

COUNTY OF \_\_\_\_\_ )

The foregoing instrument was \_\_\_\_\_ day  
acknowledged before me this \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_  
(date) (month) (year)

by: \_\_\_\_\_ as \_\_\_\_\_ of Montrose County  
(name) (title) (Operator)

Notary Public: \_\_\_\_\_

My Commission Expires \_\_\_\_\_



APPROVED:

State of Colorado

Mined Land Reclamation Board

Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety

By: Virginia Brannon  
Division Director

Date Executed: \_\_\_\_\_