

February 16, 2023

Russell A. Larsen Elam Construction, Inc. 556 Struthers Ave Grand Junction, CO 81501-3826

Re: Bennett's Gravel Pit - File No. M-1979-166 Elam Construction, Inc. Surety Reduction Request (SR-1) Surety Reduction Request Related to TR-05

Dear Russell A. Larsen:

On February 16, 2023 the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety concluded its review of the Surety Reduction Request application submitted to the Division on December 27, 2022, addressing the following:

With the approval of TR-05 in February 2022, the Division reduced the reclamation cost estimate for the Bennett's Gravel Pit by \$91,226. SR-01 is related to that TR and decreases the required surety for this permit.

The decision reached by the Division is: Approve. The Division approved this reduction in the required surety by \$91,226. In accordance with Rule 4.17.2(5), the Division is required to wait thirty days from this notice to allow for appeal of the Division's decision. Once this period closes, if no appeal is submitted, the Division's decision will be final.

This decision reduces the amount of the financial warranty, and does not approve any release of reclamation responsibility for the tasks associated with this request.

Please provide a rider to the current Financial Warranty, or submit a new Financial Warranty reflecting this reduction. If you wish to submit a different type of Financial Warranty, please contact our office for the applicable form.



If you have any questions, please contact me by telephone at (720) 601-2276, or by email at Rob.zuber@state.co.us.

Sincerely,

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Robert D. Zuber, P.E. Environmental Protection Specialist

cc: Jim Doody, Elam Construction