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Dustin Czapla
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RE: High Flume Gravel Pit, Permit # M-1990-093

Dear Mr. Czapla,
(sent via email dustin.czapla@state.co.us)

Please accept this letter as a follow-up to your March 6, 2023 letter requesting information on the reclamation status of the High Flume Gravel Pit. Currently, I have been unable to locate the original reclamation plan which I have estimated to be about 20 years old, if it is still in existence. As noted in previous inspections, the site has not been active for many years. In fact, the site has never been mined by Four Corners since the drafting of the original lease in 2003. The lack of surface disturbance is evident by the presence of established vegetation i.e. rabbit brush.

The passage of time has been a complicating factor in getting a reclamation plan and/or schedule together. My current plan of action to achieve reclamation and the DRMS permit closure is as follows:

1. Locate or the original mine reclamation plan
2. Locate contact information for the current owners
3. Request a renewed lease or a permission to enter the High Flume Pit
4. Request an on- site meeting with the owners and DRMS
5. If original reclamation plan cannot be located, coordinate a new reclamation plan with owner and DRMS
6. After reclamation plan is in place, proceed with estimates from qualified contractors
7. When appropriate request DRMS permit closure.

I estimate that the steps 1-3 could be accomplished by July 1, 2023. The timeline of the remaining steps will depend on the first three but a rough estimate of time is that the final step could be accomplished by November 1, 2023.

Yours sincerely,

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