

April 26, 2023

Thane Milenski Five Rivers Ranch Cattle Feeding LLC 2258 US HWY 50 Lamar, CO 81052

## Re: Wiley Pit - File No. M-1977-223, Acreage Release Request (AR-1) Partial Acreage Release Request

Dear Mr. Milenski:

On April 26, 2023 the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety concluded its review of the Acreage Release Request application submitted to the Division on March 8, 2023, addressing the following: A partial acreage release of 10.70 acres from the permit area.

The decision reached by the Division is: Approve.

The permit area was reduced to 163.90 acres, through the release of -10.70 acres in this permit action. In accordance with Rule 4.17.2(5), the Division is required to wait thirty (30) 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.

Because the permit is not totally released, you are still liable for filing annual reports and fees. Please submit a Technical Revision and update the mining and reclamation plan maps to depict the reduced permit area.

Bond Held:	\$193,235.00
Prior Permit Acreage:	174.60
Change in Permit Acreage:	-10.70
Revised Permit Acreage:	163.90

If you have any questions, please contact me by telephone at (303) 866-3567 x 8126, or by email at Nikie.gagnon@state.co.us.

Sincerely,

Aikie Bagnon

Nikie C. Gagnon Environmental Protection Specialist



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