



BLM Authorization for sampling/testing at Wild Horse Reservoir site

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Russell,

Thanks for the information and we will review and get back to you. At his time we do not anticipate that any field work would begin until June or later.

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Subject: Re: BLM Authorization for sampling/testing at Wild Horse Reservoir site

Hello Mr. Vidmar and Mr. Huzjak,

The Division of Reclamation, Mining, and Safety (Division) has not heard back from City of Aurora nor RJH regarding the exploration project with the proposed Wild Horse Reservoir in Park County. Although the BLM has authorized the exploration disturbances proposed on BLM lands to conduct a geological and material investigation, these activities, as well as the same activities occurring on private land, may still need a permit from the Division. If you want a formal determination regarding if a permit is needed for the project, you can submit the Division's Is It Mining Questionnaire form (<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1VBxztXPXnwcjgJa-U1oITQsj08FMKQ4x/view>), otherwise you can submit a Construction

Materials Exploration NOI form (<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1ptWOhrD4ERuHk1KXdEcV3AoTD7EqtoWv/view>). For more information regarding application requirements and process, please refer to *Rule 5: Exploration Operations* within the Mineral Rules and Regulations of the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board for the Extraction of Construction Materials (Rev 7/15/19) located on the Division's website and the following link: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1I5U8fOVjQ7VyB3GC7DGv6Gkcz7PwuRI/view>.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks,

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On Wed, Jan 8, 2020 at 1:58 PM Russell - DNR, Elliott <elliott.russell@state.co.us> wrote:

All:

Hello, this is Elliott Russell with Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety. I am the Environmental Protection Specialist with oversight of mining and exploration operations occurring in Park County and I am unfamiliar with the Wild Horse Reservoir project. Within the documents Stephanie provided, it states that DRMS permits are not needed for this work. Can someone from RJH or City of Aurora help me understand how this was determined? I have searched our database and have asked the previous Park County Specialist, as well as the Minerals Program Manager, and haven't found anything regarding this project. The typical process for determining if a permit is or isn't needed is through the Division's **Is It Mining Questionnaire** form. A file number (M-XXXX-XXX) is assigned with each form; if you have been through the Is It Mining process for the project, please provide the file number. Please note, although it is called "is it mining", this process also determines if a Notice of Intent to Explore for Construction Materials is or isn't needed. I have attached the form for your reference.

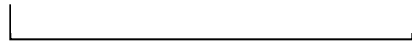
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