

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

July 6, 2023

J.C. York J&T Consulting, Inc. 305 Denver Avenue, Suite D Fort Lupton, CO 80621

Re: Journey Ventures, LLC; Journey Ventures Pit; Permit No. M-2008-080; Technical Revision No. 5 (TR5) Adequacy Review

Mr. York:

The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division/DRMS) reviewed the content of the technical revision (TR5) for the Journey Ventures Pit submitted on June 26, 2023 and submits the following comments. The Division is required to make an approval or denial decision no later than July 26, 2023 therefore; a response to the following adequacy review concern should be submitted to the Division as soon as possible.

 The technical revision states, the landowner and reservoir operator Central Colorado Water Conservancy District (CCWCD) does not want the slopes of the reservoir seeded above the water surface as they intend to maintain the slopes with equipment on an annual basis to repair any slope erosion and thus the vegetation will be removed when preforming the slope maintenance. Additionally, CCWCD wants the existing construction yard to remain for the operation of the reservoir.

Please provide documentation CCWCD accepts and approves the proposed reclamation plan revisions contained in the TR5. The Division will accept a statement on CCWCD letterhead signed by an authorized representative of the company as adequate documentation.

Please be advised the technical revision for the Journey Ventures Pit may be deemed inadequate, and the revision may be denied on July 26, 2023, unless the above mentioned adequacy review item is addressed to the satisfaction of the Division.

If you have any questions, please contact me at peter.hays@state.co.us or (303) 866-3567 Ext. 8124.

Sincerely,

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