



*Water Resource Advisors for the West*

July 20, 2023

Colorado Division of Reclamation Mining and Safety  
c/o Patrick Lennberg  
1313 Sherman Street, Room 215  
Denver, CO 80203

Sent via email:

**RE: Reclamation of Sheep Mountain Ranch, Permit M2017-022**

Dear Mr. Lennberg:

This letter is an annual status report for Sheep Mountain Augmentation Facility (SMAF), DRMS Permit M2017-022. Reclamation for SMAF in Huerfano County is underway in compliance with the Reclamation Plan in the 112 Permit Application<sup>1</sup>.

Reclamation is complete with the exception of seeding. District completed initial reseeding following construction, and some of the seeds have germinated. The Huerfano County Water Conservancy District intends to complete a second round of reseeding in fall 2023. The annual renewal fee of \$791 will be submitted along with this letter.

Please contact me at (303) 452-6611 or [stevesmith@applegategroup.com](mailto:stevesmith@applegategroup.com) with any questions regarding this request.

Sincerely,

**Applegate Group, Inc.**

Steve Smith, PE  
Senior Water Resource Engineer

Attachments:  
2023 SMAF Map

cc: Scott King, HCWCD  
AG#: 21-107

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<sup>1</sup> TZA Water Engineers. 2017. Construction Material Regular (112) Operation Reclamation Permit Application Package. Prepared for Huerfano County Water Conservancy District.