



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

January 22, 2024

Robbie Graves  
5821 W CR 54E  
Bellvue, CO 80512

**RE: Graves Roadbase Project, Reference No. M-2024-002, "Is It Mining?" Questionnaire, Additional Information Required**

Dear Mr. Graves:

On January 19, 2024, the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (DRMS) received your "Is It Mining?" questionnaire regarding a proposed excavation project on private property in Larimer County. Approximately 30,000 cubic yards of material will be extracted from a rocky knob and crushed/screened on-site for use as a road base for farm roads on the property. The aerial extent of the proposed extraction will be approximately 5 acres. Neither the landowner nor the mine site operator will receive any type of compensation from the proposed material extraction.

The following additional information is needed in order for DRMS to make a determination as to whether a Mined Land Reclamation Permit is required for your proposed project:

- 1) Please submit a site map that clearly delineates the location of the proposed extraction site, as requested under Item #1 of the questionnaire.
- 2) Please describe the type of material to be extracted for the project (e.g., sandstone, granite), as requested under Item #3 of the questionnaire.
- 3) Under Items #5 and #6 of the questionnaire, you indicate the road base will be used to repair farm roads on the same parcel of the property where the material is extracted. Please clarify whether any public roads will need to be crossed or used to transport the extracted material.
- 4) Under Item #11 of the questionnaire, you indicate the proposed material extraction will involve the use of explosives. Please describe who will conduct the blasting activities. Will they be a certified blaster? Additionally, please clarify whether any explosive materials will be stored on site.

Please include "Reference No. M-2024-002" on any future correspondence or submittals for this site. Your response to this letter can be submitted directly to me via the email address provided below. If you have any questions, you may contact me by telephone at 303-866-3567, ext. 8129 or by email at [amy.eschberger@state.co.us](mailto:amy.eschberger@state.co.us).

Sincerely,

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Cc: Russ Means, DRMS

