



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

March 11, 2024

John Nichols
Nichols Gravel Pit L.L.P.
P.O. Box 285
Mesa, CO 81643

RE: Nichols Gravel Pit, Permit No. M-1981-013, Proposed Surety Increase SI-5, Extension for Reclamation Work and Recalculation-2

Dear Mr. Nichols:

On November 12, 2023, the Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining, and Safety (Division) sent you a proposed Surety Increase (SI-5). This reclamation cost update was in response to the site inspection conducted on October 25, 2023. The proposed SI-5 would result in a total required bond amount of \$208,115. Since then, you have been working with Mike Anson of Anson Excavating & Pipe, Inc to conduct reclamation on site to reduce the overall site liability. Photo documentation was received on March 11, 2024, as well as a request for additional time. The Division is approving the extension to complete additional activities on site.

On or before Saturday, April 20, 2024 please provide the Division with a summary of the work that has been completed. Documentation includes photos as well as input figures for bonding that need to be adjusted to reflect site conditions. After such time the Division may conduct a follow up site inspection. The reclamation cost estimate will be adjusted to reflect progress made and a surety increase will be sent.

If you require additional information, or have questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

Amy Yeldell
Environmental Protection Specialist

Ec: Travis Marshall, Senior EPS, Grand Junction DRMS

