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**RE: Strang Gravel Pit, Permit No. M1977-425, Technical Revision (TR-3), Adequacy Review-1**

Dear Mr. Juergens:

The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) is in the process of reviewing the above referenced Technical Revision to ensure that it adequately satisfies the requirements of Rules 3.1.5(9) for the Importation of Inert Fill and Rule 6.3.4 for the Reclamation Plan. During review of the material submitted, the Division determined that the following issue needs to be adequately addressed before the Technical Revision can be considered for approval. Please provide the following:

1. The approved post-mining land use for the site is recreation in an open space area. In the application you state that Cells C & F will be filled with inert material up to surface level. Pursuant to Rule 6.3.4, please describe how the two cells will be reclaimed in accordance with the post mining land use. Specifically, will Cells C & F be graded to 3H:1V or flatter and seeded in accordance with the seed mixture approved in 2014 under Technical Revision 1? Please state the thickness of plant growth medium to be placed on top of the inert fill in each cell. Is sufficient growth medium stored on site to complete this task?
2. Please acknowledge that prior to seeking a release, a technical revision will be required to update the reclamation plan and map to show the final land use for each cell within the permit area i.e., unlined groundwater ponds (currently Cells A & B), wetlands, and open space. Additionally, the reclamation plan should show any recreation structures, buried pipelines and culverts that will remain, and clarify whether the silos will remain on site.

A decision due date of June 6, 2024, has been set for this revision. Please submit your response to the above listed issue prior to the decision date to allow the Division sufficient time for review. If you cannot address the above issues by June 6, 2024, please request an extension to the decision due date to ensure adequate time for the Division to review materials. If any adequacy issues remain by the decision due date the Division may deny your request.



The Division will continue to review your Technical Revision and will contact you if additional information is needed.

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

Sincerely,



**Nikie Gagnon**

Environmental Protection Specialist

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