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DRMS Second Adequacy Review, Siskin, M-1987-116 CN1 Application

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Mon, Jun 3, 2024 at 1:37 PM

To: Katie Todt <katie@lewicki.biz>

Cc: Ben Miller <ben@lewicki.biz>, nicole@coloradoquarries.com

Good afternoon,

Once the Division receives proof that structure agreements within a one mile radius (per the blasting plan) have been sent, the attached additional items will need to be addressed before the CN1 application for Siskin (M-1987-116) may be considered for approval.

If you have any questions, please send me an email or call at 720-836-0967.

Thank you,

Amber M. Gibson
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June 3, 2024

Nicole Martin
Colorado Quarries
270 15th St
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RE: Siskin, File No. #M-1987-116, Conversion Application No. 1 (CN1), Adequacy Review-2

Dear Nicole Martin,

The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division/DRMS) is in the process of reviewing the above referenced application in order to ensure that it adequately satisfies the requirements of the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Act (§ § 34-32.5-101-34-32.5-125) (Act) and the associated Rules and Regulations for the Extraction of Construction Materials (Rules). During review of the original material submitted and the adequacy responses received, the Division determined that the following issues of concern shall be adequately addressed before the application can be considered for approval.

Exhibit E:

DRMS Original Adequacy item:

"In Exhibit E, Section 6.4.5(2)(a) of the application, the Applicant states that the overburden at the site ranges from 0-24", with an average of 12" across the site. The Applicant then states that the majority of the site includes little to no overburden.

- 11. If the plan is to replace overburden at a depth of 8" throughout the site, please clarify where the majority of the overburden will be salvaged from. Will the Operator/Applicant be able to salvage enough overburden in the first few phases to replace the overburden at this depth in the initial reclaimed phases?"*

Applicant's Response:

"Please refer to the revised text for the requested changes"

Original Text in Exhibit E 6.4.5(2)(a):



*"Following the bulk of backfilling, overburden will be placed to a depth of 8" or greater. While the average pre- mine overburden depth is 12" across the site (0- 24"), **the operator requests a replacement depth of 8" or greater to account** for the majority of the site that includes little to no overburden. Recovered topsoil will be replaced to a depth of 8", the average of the pre- mine topsoil depth."*

Revised Text in Exhibit E 6.4.5(2)(a):

*"Following the bulk of backfilling, overburden will be placed to a depth of 8" or greater. While the average pre-mine overburden depth is 12" across the site (0-24"), after bulk backfilling of the slopes **overburden will be replaced at an average of 12"**. Recovered topsoil will be replaced to a depth of 8", the average of the pre-mine topsoil depth."*

1. Because the Applicant states that "the majority of the site has little to no overburden", please clarify:
 - a. Where the majority of the overburden will be salvaged from and;
 - b. Whether there will be enough overburden salvaged initially to allow for either 8" (original Exhibit E) or 12" (revised Exhibit E) to be replaced at either of these depths in the initial reclaimed phase, after bulk backfilling has been completed.

Exhibit L:

In Exhibit L, seeding and mulching is described under the revegetation task. However, information regarding the type and quantity of mulch is not provided.

2. Please provide the Division with information regarding the type of mulch to be used, and in what quantity.

Exhibit S:

Fences have been added to Maps C-1 through C-4 and F-1.

3. Please add the symbol for fencing in the legend on Maps C-1 through C-4, and on Map F-1.

Publication Requirements:

4. Please remember that pursuant to Rule 1.6.2(1)(c), any changes or additions to the application on file in our office must also be reflected in the public review copy which was placed with the Las Animas County Clerk and Recorder. Pursuant to Rule 6.4.18, you must provide our office with an affidavit or receipt indicating the date this was done.

Please submit your responses to the above listed issues by **June 12, 2024** in order to allow the Division sufficient time for review. The decision date for your application is scheduled

for June 19, 2024. The Division will continue to review your application and will contact you if additional information is needed.

If you require additional time to respond to the Division's adequacy concerns, please send a decision date extension request to the Division via email at amber.gibson@state.co.us.

If you would like additional information, or have questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at amber.gibson@state.co.us or at 720-836-0967.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Amber M. Gibson".

Amber M. Gibson

Environmental Protection Specialist

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