

July 1, 2024

Allen W. Watts Kiowa County P.O. Box 100 Eads, CO 81036

Re: Murdock Gravel Pit - File No. M-1983-112

**Kiowa County** 

**Surety Release Request (SL-2)** 

**Full/Final Release** 

Dear Allen W. Watts:

On July 1, 2024 the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety concluded its review of the Surety Release Request application submitted to the Division on April 8, 2024, addressing the following:

A Full/Final Release has been requested.

The decision reached by the Division is: Approve.

I am pleased to inform you that the Division of Reclamation Mining and Safety has determined that Kiowa County is eligible for release from further responsibility for the Murdock Gravel Pit. In accordance with Rule 4.17.2(5), the Division is required to wait thirty (30) days from this notice to allow for appeal of the Division's decision. Once this period closes, if no appeal is submitted the Division will issue the final decision on the release request in writing and the Performance Warranty and Financial Warrant(ies) on file will be returned in separate correspondence from the Division.

The Mined Land Reclamation Board and the Division staff wish to commend Kiowa County for your reclamation efforts and the resulting success.

If you have any questions, please contact me by telephone at (720) 812-2002, or by email at Joel.renfro@state.co.us.

Sincerely,

Joel Renfro

**Environmental Protection Specialist** 



cc: Amy Eschberger, DRMS Sara Stevenson-Benn, DRMS

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