



COLORADO

Division of Reclamation,
Mining and Safety

Department of Natural Resources

August 16, 2024

Kelly Spitzer
Midwestern Farms

Re: Midwestern Farms, Permit No. M-1993-059, Approval of Corrective Action Due Date Extension

Dear Kelly Spitzer:

On August 16, 2024, the Division of Reclamation Mining and Safety (Division) received your request to extend the corrective action date for the following problem identified in the Division's May 1, 2024 inspection report:

INSPECTION TOPIC: Revegetation

PROBLEM/POSSIBLE VIOLATION: Problem: Tamarisk (salt cedar) trees are present within or have volunteered into the permit area and are becoming established. This is a problem for failure to employ weed control methods for a state-listed noxious weed species within the permitted area, and to reduce the spread of weeds to nearby areas as required by Section 3.1.10 (6) of the rule.

CORRECTIVE ACTIONS: The operator shall submit evidence (invoice for service, receipt of chemical purchase, and/or images of sprayed plants) to the Division of implementation of the approved weed control plan by the corrective action due date. If the operator wishes to revise the approved weed control plan, the proposed plan must be submitted in the form of a Technical Revision with the appropriate fee of \$216.00 by the corrective action date. The Division recommends the operator consult with the county extension agency or weed control district office in developing a plan that includes specific control measures to be applied, a schedule for when control measures will be applied, and a post-treatment monitoring plan.

NEW CORRECTIVE ACTION DUE DATE: 5/31/25

If you require additional information, or have questions, please feel free to contact me by phone at (720) 812-2002, or by email at joel.renfro@state.co.us.

Sincerely,

Joel Renfro
Environmental Protection Specialist

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