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Division of Reclamation,
Mining and Safety

Department of Natural Resources

August 29, 2024

Mary Strang
Strang Herefords
2969 County Road 8
Meeker, CO 81641

RE: Need for State Reclamation Permit, Strang Herefords, File No. M-2024-042

Dear Ms. Strang:

On August 19, 2024 the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) received your correspondence responding to the Division's inquiry, RE: "Is It Mining". The Division has assigned file number M-2024-042 to this project. Please display the file number on any correspondence regarding this specific project.

The information you provided along with observations made during the Division's inspection on August 7, 2024 indicates you propose to use material generated from excavation for road maintenance and erosion control on the Strang Ranch. Material generated is used on the same parcel the excavation is taking place on. No material is proposed to leave the parcel except for crossing the county road to transport to adjacent land owned by the Strang family. The equipment used for the project consists of a backhoe, skid steer and dump trailer. All material excavated is be used on site for ranch infrastructure maintenance. No material is sold and is for private use only.

Based on the information contained in the correspondence it is the Division's opinion that no reclamation permit will be required from this agency for either project at this time. However, other local, state, or federal permits may be required and it is recommended that you contact those agencies for further clarifications if you have questions. Please be advised that this opinion is being offered based on the information provided in your response. **Any significant deviation from the described activity, including removal for sale or trade of any excavated materials from its natural state could result in a review and possible reversal of this opinion.**

Please consider the following: if the Division receives different information or a written complaint regarding the proposed activities it is required by law to further investigate. If the investigation shows a possible violation of the Construction Materials Act and Rules an enforcement action would be initiated which could include civil penalties, a cease and desist order and obtaining a permit for the activities.

If you have any questions please contact me at (970) 433-8281.

Sincerely,

Travis Marshall
Senior Environmental Protection Specialist



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