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Jared Graff dba Best Rock Sand and Gravel (West Pit)

1 message

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To whom it may concern,

My name is Scott King, I am the current Water Commissioner for Water District 41 and 62. I have been working with Mr. Graff and his water consultant in an effort to bring him into compliance with well permitting and water rights issues. While a permit to construct a well is required before construction of a well. We have been able to extend some measure of grace when the operator is actively trying to come into compliance with the existing laws and regulations. Especially when the applicant is well into the process of developing a plan for Augmentation and/or Substitute Water Supply Plan. It is my opinion that Mr. Graff is in the situation of having adequate dry-up credits to cover the irrigation season depletions. We are in a scenario where we do not believe it is possible to have a downstream senior call during the non-irrigation season for the foreseeable future. It is my understanding that it is currently taking an inordinate amount of time for the BOR to process applications for the lease of water out of the Aspinall Unit and that Mr. Graff has been plagued by issues with past legal counsel. It is my hope that with the legal counsel issue having been dealt with that Mr. Graff will be able to proceed with the SWSP process and obtain well permits as soon as a water service agreement is reached with the BOR for Aspinall water pending court approval of a Plan for Augmentation. Because Mr. Graff has been proactive in engaging with the Division of Water Resources through myself, my concerns with the gravel pit being temporarily out of compliance are alayed at the current time.

If I can be of any assistance to you or the division in this or any matter in my jurisdiction please do not hesitate to contact me.

I am copying the Division Engineer, Bob Hurford, on this email as well.

Thank you,

Scott King

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