

December 18, 2024

Patrick Mason City of Lamar 102 E Parmenter St Lamar, CO 81052

RE: Lamar Park Grav Pit, Permit No. M-1987-078, 110 Construction Materials Reclamation Permit Application Amendment, Adequacy Review #1

Mr. Mason:

The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) has completed its adequacy review #1 of your 110 Construction Materials Reclamation Permit Application Amendment (AM-1) submitted for the Lamar Park Grav Pit located in Prowers County. All comment and review periods for the amendment began on November 19, 2024, when the application was called complete for filing purposes. The decision date for the amendment is currently set for January 15, 2025.

The Division's review consisted of comparing the application content with the requirements of the Mineral Rules and Regulations of the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board for the Extraction of Construction Materials. The Division has identified adequacy items in the application requiring clarification or additional information. These items are identified below under their respective exhibit heading and are numbered sequentially.

Exhibit D - Reclamation Plan (Rule 6.3.4):

 On the Reclamation Plan Map under "Statements Pertaining to Reclamation of Mining Operation", item 1 explains the process of backfilling and grading the site after the end of the mining operation. This conflicts with the updated Exhibit D – Reclamation Plan which states the mining operation is completed and the excavation area has been backfilled and graded. If the updated Exhibit D is correct, please correct item 1 under "Statements Pertaining to Reclamation of Mining Operation".

Exhibit E – Map (Rule 6.3.5):

For the Reclamation Plan Map:

- 2) The Reclamation Plan Map provided has the title of "Exhibit D Reclamation Plans". For a 110c permit type, the Reclamation Plan Map is under Exhibit E Map (Rule 6.3.5). Please provide an updated map with the correct exhibit title.
- 3) As mentioned in item 1 of this adequacy review, under "Statements Pertaining to Reclamation of Mining Operation", please provide an updated map with the corrected statement.



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Exhibit L – Permanent Man-made Structures (Rule 6.3.12):

4) Please provide a notarized structure agreement with Southeast Colorado Power. If this is unattainable, you must provide demonstration that an agreement was attempted. This demonstration must include a copy of the notarized structure agreement form that was sent to the structure owner and a return receipt of the Certified Mailing (or proof of personal service). Additionally, you must provide an appropriate engineering evaluation that demonstrates such structure shall not be damaged by activities occurring at the site.

This concludes the Division's adequacy review #1 of your application amendment. <u>Please ensure the Division</u> sufficient time to complete its review process by responding to these adequacy items no later than one week prior to the decision date, by **January 8, 2025**. If additional time is needed to respond, you must submit an extension request to our office prior to the decision date.

If you have any questions, you may contact me by telephone at 720-793-3031, or by email at <u>ursula.armstrong@state.co.us</u>.

Sincerely,

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Ursula Armstrong Environmental Protection Specialist

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