



January 31, 2025

Ernst Strenge
Boulder County
5201 St. Vrain Road
Longmont, CO 80503

**RE: Lyons Quarry, Permit No. M-1977-141, Division Response to “Is It Mining?”
Questionnaire, No Permit Required**

Dear Ernst Strenge,

On January 30, 2025, the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division/DRMS) received your completed “Is It Mining” questionnaire regarding stream restoration activities that will lead to the importation and stockpiling of excess material within the permit boundary of the Lyons Quarry, permit no. M-1977-141, located on a property in Boulder County. It is noted that Boulder County owns the property where the permit is located. The excess material is being excavated from a restoration project along the banks of the South St. Vrain Creek and then will be placed within the permit boundary of the Lyons Quarry. The stockpiled material will then be used in a future restoration project also located within the current permit boundary. The timing of this project is not known, at this time, and may occur after the permit has been released. The restoration project, generating the material, was first identified after the 2013 floods by the Emergency Watershed Protection Program. The project is being funded by grants from Colorado Water Conservation Board and Colorado Division of Public Health and the Environment (CDPHE) and is primarily located on land owned by Boulder County. The project received approval from the Boulder County Planner and the US Army Corps of Engineers and as construction activities get closer additional coordination will occur with Boulder County and CDPHE.

The Mined Land Reclamation Board has requested the Division make determinations as to the need for a Mined Land Reclamation Permit. Based on the information provided in the questionnaire, the Division has determined **a permit is not required for the activity from the Division**. Any significant deviation from the described activity could result in review and possible reversal of this determination.



If you disagree with this decision, you may petition to appear before the Board during a formal public hearing for a Declaratory Order concerning this matter. Pursuant to Rule 2.5.2(1), the request must be submitted to the Board in writing and be received no later than 10 days prior to the hearing. The written request must contain the information required pursuant to Rule 2.5.2(2). The next available Board hearing will be held on February 19, 2025. All hearings are held at 1313 Sherman St., Room 318, in Denver, Colorado 80203.

If you need additional information or have any questions, please contact me by email at patrick.lennberg@state.co.us or by phone at (720) 665-0836.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Patrick Lennberg".

Patrick Lennberg
Environmental Protection Specialist

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