

Phillips County Commissioners

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March 4, 2025 Joel Renfro Environmental Protection Specialist Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety Re: Biesemeier State Pit, ID# M-2021-029

Phillips County has received a Minerals Program Inspection Report from the Colorado State Reclamation Division, stating that Phillips County is in possible violation for standing water in the Biesemeier State Pit, and we appreciate your taking the time to speak to us on March 4, 2025, about the options to remediate the issue.

The County Road and Bridge Department is in the process of covering the portion of the pit that has standing water. We will cover this area with a minimum of two feet of packed fill. We respectfully request an extension of the deadline for remediation from March 17, 2025, to May 15, 2025. We have been experiencing cold weather and will need more time to move the appropriate materials for the project. We will also take pictures of the completed project and send them to you at that time.

David Salyards and Lwill be working with you to ensure the issue is resolved.

Kevin Scott, Road and Bridge Manager

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