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RE: BACHUS PIT, PERMIT NO. M-1995-034

## WEED CONTROL PLAN

## **INTRODUCTION:**

BACHUS PIT, LOCATED ON COUNTY ROAD 106 SOUTH IN ALAMOSA COUNTY, CONSISTS OF A PIT APPROXIMATELY 28 ACRES IN SIZE. NOXIOUS WEEDS WERE OBSERVED BY CHRIS GIRARDI & JARED EBERT OF DRMS AFTER A ROUTINE INSPECTION ON SEPTEMBER 5, 2024. ONE RUSSIAN OLIVE TREE IS LOCATED ALONG THE ENTRY ROAD AND HAD BEEN SITED AS A PROBLEM, AS WELL AS HALOGET EN, RUSSIAN KNAPWEED & RUSSIAN THISTLE. WE HAVE BEEN REQUIRED TO CREATE A WEED CONTROL PLAN TO GET THIS UNDER CONTROL & PREVENT FURTHER SPREADING ACCORDING TO SECTION 3.1.10 (6) OF THE CONSTRUCTION MATERIALS RULES AND REGULATIONS. ABSMEIER WILL WORK EFFECTIVELY TO REMOVE THE PROBLEM AREAS AND DO BI-ANNUAL PROPERTY INSPECTIONS.

## WEED CONTROL PLAN

FIRST OFF, ADRIAN ABSMEIER, OPERATOR AND CONTROLLER OF THE MINE, WILL ASSESS AND MAKE A PLAN FOR REMOVAL AND DISPOSAL OF THE RUSSIAN OLIVE TREE. THIS WILL INCLUDE THE ERADICATION OF THE TREE AND IT WILL BE PERFORMED MECHANICALLY, WITH AN EXCAVATOR & LOADER AND ANY OTHER EQUIPMENT THAT MAY BE NEEDED. THE TREE WILL BE PROPERLY DISPOSED OF.

MECHANICAL REMOVAL OF THE HALOGETEN, RUSSIAN KNAPWEED & RUSSIAN THISTLE WILL BE PERFORMED NEXT. THIS IS TO CONSIST OF SCRAPING AND DIGGING OUT THE WEEDS WITH A SKIDSTEER AND/OR RIDE ON MOWER, IF NEEDED. ALSO, HAND WORK WILL BE PERFORMED WITH A SHOVEL, RAKE, OR HOE SO THE EXISTING DESIRED VEGETATION IS UNDISTURBED IN THE PROCESS. THE AREA WILL THEN BE ASSESSED THAT ALL WEEDS HAVE BEEN REMOVED AND DISPOSED OF PROPERLY AND WILL BE SMOOTHED OVER WITH A SKIDSTEER AND IF NEEDED, A ROAD-GRADER, CAREFULLY AVOIDING THE DESIRED, EXISTING VEGETATION IN THE AREA.

LASTLY, BI-ANNUAL INSPECTIONS, WILL BE DONE BY THE OPERATOR AND A WEED CONTROL AGENT FROM SLV GROUND CONTROL TO ENSURE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF REMOVAL AND THAT NO RE-GROWTH HAS APPEARED. RECORD OF THE INSPECTIONS WILL BE KEPT AT THE ABSMEIER OFFICE LOCATED AT 1424 21<sup>ST</sup> STREET IN ALAMOSA, COLORADO.

IN CLOSING, WE WILL NO LONGER BE USING THE WEED PROPOSAL THAT WE RECIEVED FROM SLV GROUND CONTROL UNLESS NEEDED IN THE FUTURE. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.