

**COLORADO** Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety

Department of Natural Resources 1313 Sherman Street, Room 215 Denver, Colorado 80203

June 04, 2014

Jordan Sasser All-Rite Paving & Redi-Mix, Inc. P.O. Box 165 Canon City, CO 81212

# Re: Verhoeff Gravel Pit #1, DRMS Permit No. M-2014-025 112 Construction Materials Reclamation Permit Application Package Adequacy Review -01

Dear Ms. Sasser:

The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) has completed its adequacy review of your permit application. The application was called complete for review on May 06, 2014. All comment and review periods began on May 06, 2014. The decision date for this application is **August 04, 2014**.

In general, the application was substantially adequate; however, as with most applications, there are a few items that will require the submittal of additional information or clarification of the existing information. Inadequacies are identified under the respective exhibit heading.

## **APPLICATION FORM:**

1) Under the general description, the Applicant described the site as being approximately 0.75 miles west of Hasty, CO. Our review found the site to be approximately 1.75 miles from Hasty, CO. Is this correct? If so, please change 0.75 miles to 1.75 miles in the general description.

## **EXHIBIT A – Legal Description (Rule 6.4.1):**

2) As mentioned above, our review found the site to be approximately 1.75 miles from Hasty, CO. Is this correct? If so, please change 0.75 miles to 1.75 miles in the legal description.

## **EXHIBIT E - Reclamation Plan (Rule 6.4.5):**

3) The Applicant states in the Reclamation Plan that four to six inches of topsoil will be placed on affected surfaces for reclamation; however, in the Mining Plan submitted in Exhibit D, the Applicant stated that the top 10 inches of soil suitable as plant growth medium will be salvaged and stockpiled for use during reclamation. The Division recommends 6 inches or more of topsoil replacement during reclamation. Please indicate that a minimum of 6 inches of topsoil will be salvaged for reclamation of the site.

## EXHIBIT L – Reclamation Costs (Rule 6.4.12):

4) The Division has calculated a preliminary bond estimate in the amount of \$133,232 (see enclosed cost estimate work), with the understanding that no more than 50 acres will be affected at one time. If this is not



correct, please describe how many acres will be affected at one time so that a more adequate bond can be calculated for this operation.

### **EXHIBIT S – Permanent Man-Made Structures (Rule 6.4.19):**

5) The structure agreement submitted for Lamar Utilities Board d/b/a Lamar Light and Power is not notarized as required by Rule 6.4.19(c). In addition, this agreement does not include the 75 foot radial setback from poles and 50 foot setback from center of easement (100 foot easement) from the transmission line as requested, according to the Applicant's statement in Exhibit S.

Please provide a notarized letter from Lamar Utilities Board d/b/a Lamar Light and Power that includes the requested setbacks in order for this operation to have "no negative effect" on the utilities present within 200 feet of the affected land.

## **General Comments and Questions:**

6) Please see the enclosed comment from the State Historic Preservation Officer. As of today, this is the only comment that we have received for this application.

This concludes the Division's preliminary adequacy review of your application. Please remember that the decision date for this application is **August 04, 2014**. Please provide responses to the above comments soon enough for the Division to review the responses and complete a follow-up exchange of comments and responses prior to the decision deadline. If you are unable to provide satisfactory responses to any inadequacies prior to this date, **it will be your responsibility to request an extension of time to allow for continued review of this application**. If there are still unresolved issues when the decision date arrives and no extension has been requested, the application will be denied.

If you have any questions, please contact me at the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, 1313 Sherman Street, Room 215, Denver, CO 80203, by telephone at 303-866-3567, x8129 or by email at amy.eschberger@state.co.us.

Sincerely,

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Amy Eschberger Environmental Protection Specialist

Enclosure(s): Cost estimate work calculated by the Division on May 20, 2014 Comment received from State Historic Preservation Officer

Cc: Tom Kaldenbach, DRMS

Ms. Angela Bellantoni Environmental Alternatives, Inc. 1107 Main Street Canon City, CO 81212