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Hardship Lode Quarry- Adequacy Review of TR-2

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Wed, Apr 16, 2025 at 8:15 AM

To: Nicole Martin <nicole@coloradoquarries.com>

Cc: Jared Ebert - DNR <jared.ebert@state.co.us>

Good morning,

Attached to this email is a pdf of the Division's Adequacy Review Letter for the Weed Management Plan submitted as part of Technical Revision (TR-2) to the Hardship Lode Quarry, permit number M-1987-027.

A hard copy will not be mailed unless requested. Please feel free to reach out if you have any questions.

Thanks,

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April 16, 2025

Bill Tezak
270 S 15th St.
Cañon City, CO 81212

Re Hardship Lode Quarry, M-1987-027
Technical Revision No. 2 (TR-2)
Adequacy Review

Dear Bill Tezak:

On April 10, 2025, the Division received the request for a Technical Review (TR-2) for the Hardship Lode Quarry, File No. M-1987-027, seeking approval for a Weed Management Plan. During review of the material submitted, the Division determined that the following items need to be addressed before TR-2 can be considered for approval.

Revision Application Form Selection:

1. Under Proposed Acreage Revisions, the Operator indicated several proposed acreage changes. Please clarify that no acreage changes are intended to be made to the Permit Area acreage, Affected Area acreage, and Federal Surface Acreage. The Division notes that these acreage changes cannot be increased through a Technical Revision to the permit.

Weed Management Plan:

2. The plan states that regular monitoring along transportation routes and machinery will be conducted. Please expand the monitoring area to include the pit, topsoil stockpiles, and the undisturbed area. In addition, please commit to documentation and annual reporting of weed monitoring inspections, including after treatment measures.
3. The plan states that chemical treatment for noxious weeds will be applied as needed by licensed pesticide applicators. Given that noxious weeds have already been identified by the Division during the February 2025 inspection, please provide a list of the herbicides to be used to treat the noxious weeds.

This concludes the Division's adequacy review of TR-2. Please be advised TR-2 may be deemed inadequate, and the request may be denied on **May 10, 2025**, unless the adequacy review items are addressed to the satisfaction of the Division. If more time is needed to respond, the Division can grant an extension of the decision date following a request to do so by the Operator.



If you have any questions, please contact me by telephone at (720) 793-3041, or by email at chris.girardi@state.co.us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Chris Girardi". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Chris Girardi
Environmental Protection Specialist Intern

cc: Jared Ebert; DRMS
Nicole Martin, Colorado Quarries Inc