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**Inspection Follow-up Inquiry, Becker Pit M-2020-022**

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**Gibson - DNR, Amber** <amber.gibson@state.co.us>  
To: Austin Clennin <arc84rye@gmail.com>

Thu, May 15, 2025 at 4:00 PM

Good afternoon,

The Division observed a truck scale and scale house outside of the permit boundary during the April inspection of the Becker Pit. Can you tell me what the primary purpose and future plans are for this infrastructure?

Thank you,

**Amber Michels Gibson**  
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**Betsy Clennin** <beckerpitllc@gmail.com>  
To: amber.gibson@state.co.us

Thu, May 15, 2025 at 5:02 PM

Good afternoon,

This is in response to your inquiry regarding the truck scale and scale house outside of the permit boundary, as stated in your email. The truck scale was installed roughly two years after the Becker Pit was created. The site was chosen so that the scale was located further away from the county road due to concern over vandalism. We did not install the scale for the sole purpose of weighing material out of the pit. At least 50% of the time the scale is used for agricultural use such as weighing cattle and loads of hay for our ranching operations. It is also used to weigh material that comes from the 6S Pit we lease from the 6S Land and Cattle Company. Another purpose for the scale house and its location is that we use it for storing supplies/cattle care items making it possible to have these in close proximity to our cattle on the east end of our ranch. The scale sits on ranch owned property and the scale is owned by the Clennin Ranch. Becker Pit, LLC pays scale fees for the use.

If the scale would have been in the pit boundaries, we would not have been able to haul large loads up the steep hill just to weigh them. Also, we have other materials that we purchase elsewhere that we bring in and weigh on the scale for resale purposes. If the gravel pit is ever closed/reclaimed, the scales and scale house will remain in its current location for our ranch operation.

If you have any further questions, please feel free to contact us.

Regards,

**Betsy L. Clennin**  
Becker Pit, LLC



On Thu, May 15, 2025 at 4:14 PM Austin Clennin <[arc84rye@gmail.com](mailto:arc84rye@gmail.com)> wrote:  
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