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May 28, 2025

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RE: Dist No. 2 Gravel Pit M-1979-216 TR-1, Adequacy Review

Dear Jocelyn,

In response to your adequacy review letter dated May 22, 2025, we are providing the following answers:

- Item #1: The stockpiled materials will be removed prior to any reclamation of the affected lands. We do not anticipate reclamation operations in the near future, as we are a long ways off from beginning reclamation. We are not intending to use any of the stockpiled material to backfill during reclamation activities once that process begins.
- Item #1 c.: A signed affidavit certifying the stockpiled material is clean and inert in accordance with Rule 3.1.5 (9) (c) is included in this response. We will not be backfilling with imported material, we are only storing non-toxic material at the site.

Should you have any questions, feel free to contact us at: 719-276-7430 or via email at: scott.hileman@fremontcountyco.gov, Annette.reed-pugh@fremontcountyco.gov, or Michael.whitt@fremontcountyco.gov.

We look forward to hearing from you soon!

Respectfully submitted,

Annette Reed-Pugh
Office Administrator

Cc: Scott Hileman, Fremont County
Michael Whitt, Fremont County
Amy Eschberger, DRMS



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May 7, 2025

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RE: Dist No. 2 Gravel Pit M-1979-216 Technical Revision

Dear Jocelyn,

In response to the information needed from us to accompany our technical revision application as referenced above, Fremont County will not be storing or stockpiling any material at this gravel pit that is acid-forming or toxic in nature.

Our intention is to stockpile roadway material from and for our roadways, to include culverts, cattle guards, guard rails, tree limbs/branches, fill material, and concrete. We will keep the stockpiles separate from each other and maintain in an orderly manner.

Should you have any questions, feel free to contact us at: 719-276-7430 or via email at: Michael.whitt@fremontcountyco.gov; scott.hileman@fremontcountyco.gov, and Annette.reed-pugh@fremontcountyco.gov.

We look forward to hearing from you soon!

Respectfully submitted,

Michael Whitt
DOT Director



May 22, 2025

Scott Hileman
Fremont County
1170 Red Canyon Road
Canon City, CO 812812

RE: Dist No. 2 Gravel Pit, Permit No. M-1979-216; Technical Revision (TR-1), Adequacy Review

Dear Mr. Hileman,

On May 7, 2025, the Division of Reclamation, Mining, and Safety (Division/DRMS) received the Technical Revision (TR-1) application to update the mining plan to include stockpiling of imported material on the permitted area of the Fremont Gravel Pit, located in Fremont County. After a review of the application, there are some matters that require further information and/or clarification prior to the Division issuing a decision for the TR-1 application. Please provide a response and any supplemental items in a cover letter addressing the following items.

1. The materials being requested to have stockpiled at the permitted site include culverts, cattle guards, guard rails, tree limbs/branches, fill material, and concrete. These materials are not acid-forming or toxic in nature, as stated in the letter from the Fremont County Department of Transportation. Will the materials be removed from the site prior to reclamation of the affected lands? If the intention is to use any imported materials as backfill during reclamation activities, please provide the following information, per Rule 3.1.5(9):
 - a. A narrative that describes the approximate location of where imported material will be used as backfill, per Rule 3.1.5(9)(a).
 - b. The approximate volume of the imported material to be used as backfill, per Rule 3.1.5(9)(b).
 - c. A signed affidavit certifying that the material is clean and inert in accordance with Rule 3.1.5(9)(c). Be advised, the letter provided from the Fremont County Department of Transportation is not signed and does not satisfy this requirement.
 - d. An explanation of how the backfilled site will result in a post-mining configuration that is compatible with the approved post-mining land use, per Rule 3.1.5(9)(e).

This concludes the Division's adequacy review of the TR-1 application for the Fremont Gravel Pit. The decision date for the TR-1 application is **June 6, 2025**. If more time is needed to



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address the items above, a written request to extend the decision date should be submitted to the Division before the decision date.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me by email at Jocelyn.carter@state.co.us or by phone at (720) 666-1065.

Sincerely,



Jocelyn Carter
Environmental Protection Specialist
Division of Reclamation, Mining, and Safety

Ec: Amy Eschberger, DRMS
Annette Reed-Pugh, Fremont County



COLORADO DIVISION OF RECLAMATION, MINING AND SAFETY

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REQUEST FOR TECHNICAL REVISION (TR) COVER SHEET

File No.: M- _____ Site Name: _____

County _____ TR# _____ (DRMS Use only)

Permittee: _____

Operator (If Other than Permittee): _____

Permittee Representative: _____

Please provide a brief description of the proposed revision: _____

As defined by the Minerals Rules, a Technical Revision (TR) is: “a change in the permit or application which does not have more than a minor effect upon the approved or proposed Reclamation or Environmental Protection Plan.” The Division is charged with determining if the revision as submitted meets this definition. If the Division determines that the proposed revision is beyond the scope of a TR, the Division may require the submittal of a permit amendment to make the required or desired changes to the permit.

The request for a TR is not considered “filed for review” until the appropriate fee is received by the Division (as listed below by permit type). Please submit the appropriate fee with your request to expedite the review process. After the TR is submitted with the appropriate fee, the Division will determine if it is approvable within 30 days. If the Division requires additional information to approve a TR, you will be notified of specific deficiencies that will need to be addressed. If at the end of the 30 day review period there are still outstanding deficiencies, the Division must deny the TR unless the permittee requests additional time, in writing, to provide the required information.

There is no pre-defined format for the submittal of a TR; however, it is up to the permittee to provide sufficient information to the Division to approve the TR request, including updated mining and reclamation plan maps that accurately depict the changes proposed in the requested TR.

Required Fees for Technical Revision by Permit Type - Please mark the correct fee and submit it with your request for a Technical Revision.

<u>Permit Type</u>	<u>Required TR Fee</u>	<u>Submitted</u> (mark only one)
110c, 111, 112 construction materials, and 112 quarries	\$216	<input type="checkbox"/>
112 hard rock (not DMO)	\$175	<input type="checkbox"/>
110d, 112d(1, 2 or 3)	\$1006	<input type="checkbox"/>

Dist No. 2 Gravel Pit M-1979-216

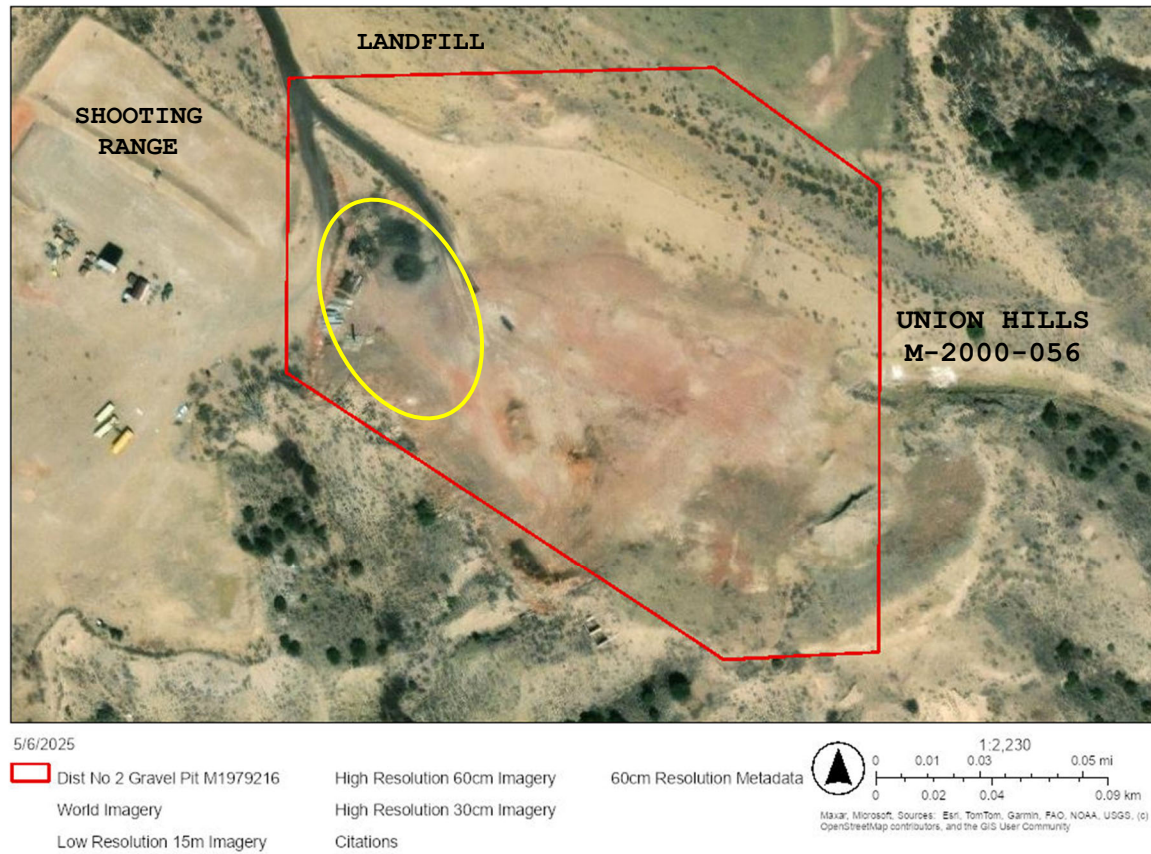


Figure 1: Map of the permit area showing where the imported materials are stored (circled in yellow) and the neighboring land uses.

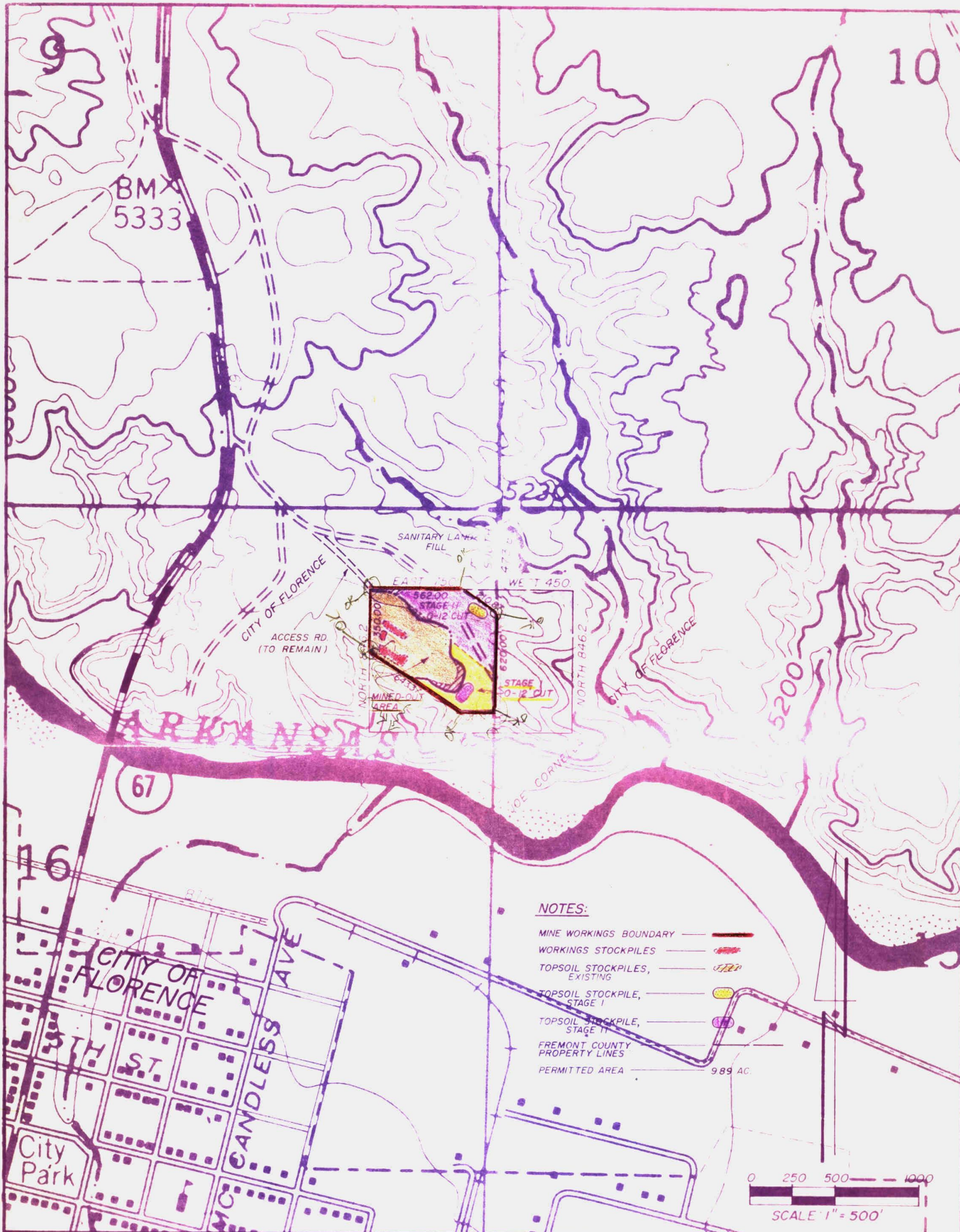


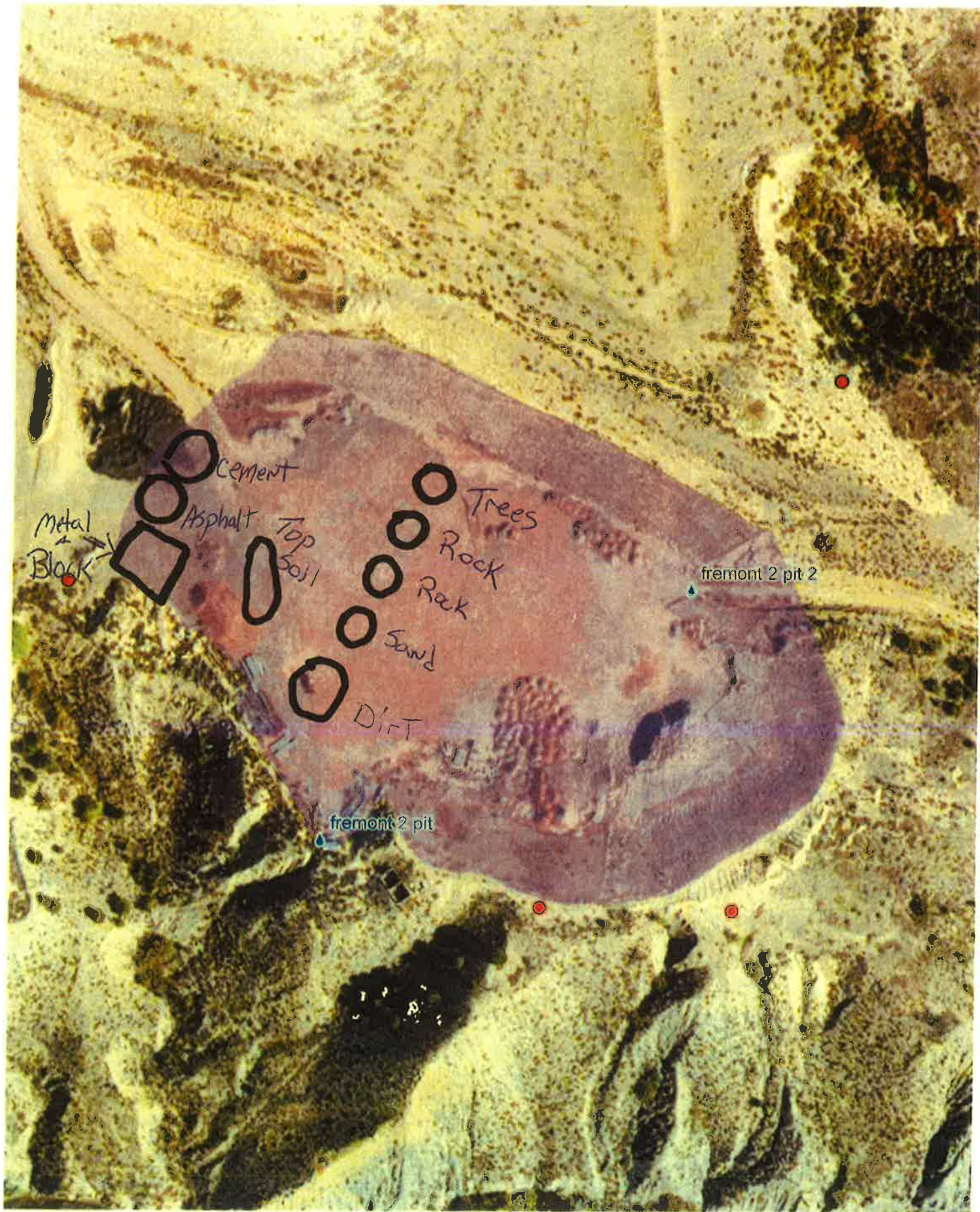
EXHIBIT C

MAP OF FREMONT COUNTY GRAVEL PIT LOCATED IN THE NE 1/4 NE 1/4 SEC. 16 & THE NE 1/4 NW 1/4 SEC. 15, T19S, R69W OF THE 6TH P.M.

Permit Number *1-77-216 District #2 Gravel Pit*
 Class: ☐ Permit
 Section/Exhibit: *Exhibit C Mining Plan*
 Class: ☐ Revision
 Type/Seq:
 Class: ☐ Report ☐ Hydro ☐ General
 Doc Type:
☐ Application (Coal only) ☐ Bond ☐ Enforcement ☐ Inspection
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FREMONT COUNTY'S UNION HILL GRAVEL PIT

