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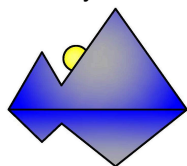
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Robin- attached is the response letter. If you want me to request a decision date extension, I am glad to do that. Is one additional week going to be enough?

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Thank you,

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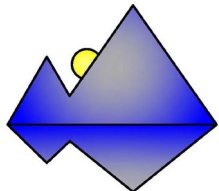
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May 14, 2025

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Re: Preliminary Adequacy Robins Consolidated Expansion Pit M 1991 113

Dear Ms. Reilly;

We are submitting responses to your letter of March 25, 2025 in the same order as your comments. Please note that as you requested the duplicate or unnecessary information has been removed, the pages are oriented in the same direction and numbered. The entire document is resubmitted as requested.

Rule 6.4.3

The original Consolidated Pit has an acreage 68.45 Acres and the expanded area has an acreage of 46 acres, together totaling 114 Acres, The expanded area has been partitioned into 9 phases totaling 59 acres and a augmentation recharge pond of about 9 acres which will not be mined, The original plant area is expected to be completely mined out this year and reclamation has been started on the east and south perimeter of the pit. Reclamation of the original consolidated Pit will be completed in 2026. A timetable for Mining and Reclamation of each of the 9 phases (i-IX) is shown on the Exhibit maps.

Rule 6.4.4

7. Topsoil stockpiles will be located in the south and east perimeters of each phase'
10. The Acreages of each phase in the expansion area have been reconciled with the Table and changed in the narrative, these discrepancies were due to not reconciling prior to submission to the DRMS.
11. Dust will be suppressed during windy conditions by use of a water truck on site; during extremely windy conditions mining is discontinued since adequate material stockpiles are in place, additionally, conveyors have spray bars for dust suppression.

Rule 6.4.6

12. The Current land use in the Expansion area is rangeland, but it has been Zoned Industrial/ Commercial. When mining operations cease it will revert back to Rangeland or possibly be submerged in a Reservoir to owned by the Conejos Conservancy District. Plans are underway to purchase the entire pit from Robins possibly while Mining is still underway, using materials from the pit for construction of the proposed reservoir.

12A. Discrepancies between the Timetables and the Maps have been corrected.

12B. Outdated and redundant information has been removed.

12C and 12 D. Topsoil is very shallow over the original Consolidated Pit being an estimated 3 to 6 inches in depth. In selected areas as reclamation is performed topsoil may be mixed with fine byproducts prior to mulching and seeding.

13. will try to obtain a Land planning Map for this area although we are not aware that one exists.

14. Reclamation in the original Consolidated Pit has started recently, but is not expected to be complete until 2026.

16. Duplicates have been removed

16A. A legible seeding Table is supplied.

16B. The Reclamation plan text is updated and the entire document is resubmitted,

16 C. There are presently no trees on the entire pit area and no trees are intended to be planted,

16 D. No trees will be planted.

16 E. Seed will not be drilled, a hydroseeding truck is owned by Robins and is already on site. Although the area in the Consolidated Pit and expansion area is 114 acres, the County imposes a setback, thereby reducing the total area which can be mined.

18- 18A. Topsoil is stored adjacent to the pit and within the 114 acres; no hauling will be required.

19. No highwall will remain at the end of reclamation; 3:1 slope is planned unless the Conservancy District design for the reservoir is different.

Rule 6.4.7

21. No Discharge Permits will be required at this operation; surface runoff is non-existent due to the nature of the soil and topography. The only rain or snow melt inside the mined area will be readily absorbed by the underlying strata (natural sand and gravel well above ground water,

22. The well located at the Batch Plant supplies all the water required for mining and reclamation and is supported by an Augmentation Plan included in Exhibit G. Pat McDermott, Engineer at the Division 3 office of Water Resources has stated he would be able to answer any question DRMS might have concerning the amount of water available at this operation. The phone number for the Division 3 office is 719-589-6683. The State Engineer's office has declined to make their internal calculations and notes more legible and they have been removed; we submit that the ruling of the water court should be sufficient to show both the availability and quantity of water is sufficient. The last page of the Augmentation Plan ruling has been filed with the State Engineer's Office as the Court would have never approved the Case without the Division of Water Resources participation and approval. Consumptive use figures were supplied by the

DWR as well as accounting. Robins is and has used less water than is being diverted into the Augmentation pond.

23A – 23 E. A NPDES Permit is not necessary for this operation as runoff or water used for preparing products will reach the San Antonio River or the groundwater.

Consumptive use figures were supplied by the State Engineer's Office as part of the Augmentation Plan which was adjudicated by the Court. Again, please call Pat McDermott at the State Engineer's Office in Alamosa if you need more information on their input to the Court. Pat's phone number is 7819-589-6683.

Rule 6.4.9 Exhibit I Soils

24. The existing topsoil, which has been stockpiled is certainly capable of re-establishment of the seed mixture proposed for reclamation. Fine byproducts of can be spread underneath the topsoil if the DRMS does not believe the material is capable of establishing root growth.