

Response to Construction Materials Reclamation Permit Application

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Cc: Glen Lund, Division 5 District 39 Water Commissioner, glen.lund@state.co.us

From: Wenli Dickinson, P.E., State Engineer's Office (SEO), wenli.dickinson@state.co.us

Re: Jackrabbit Gravel Quarry, DRMS File No. M-2025-028

Applicant: QB Energy Operating, LLC c/o Ed Seymour; 143 Diamond Avenue, Parachute, CO 81635; (970) 852-9819

Permit Contact: River City Consulting c/o Dillion Foster; 215 Pitkin Avenue, Grand Junction, CO 81501; (970) 241-4722

Location: SW ¼ of Section 16 and SE ¼ of Section 17, Township 5 South, Range 96 West, 6th P.M., Garfield County, Water Division 5, District 39

Comments

This application proposes to mine between 8,000-11,000 cubic yards per year of aggregate on 17.20 acres currently used for industrial and commercial purposes.

The operation is not expected to directly affect groundwater. Groundwater consumption and exposure are not anticipated. Should groundwater be consumed or exposed, the mine must operate under a substitute water supply plan (SWSP) and a gravel pit well permit approved by the Division of Water Resources (DWR).



Water will be imported for dust control and is sourced from West Fork Parachute Creek, where the operator holds water rights. The specific water rights held by the operator were not identified. Any water diverted must be in-priority and consistent with the terms and conditions of the water right, including but not limited to diversion amounts, rates, and uses.

Stormwater will be managed using existing berms and collection basins. Any stormwater runoff intercepted by this operation must infiltrate into the ground or be released to the stream system within 72 hours. Additionally, any stormwater detention structures must qualify as a "storm water detention and infiltration facility" as defined in section 37-92-602(8), C.R.S., or the structure may be subject to administration by DWR. The applicant should review DWR's <u>Administrative Statement Regarding the Management of Storm Water Detention Facilities and Post-Wildland Fire Facilities in Colorado</u> to ensure that the notification, construction and operation of the proposed structure meets statutory and administrative requirements. The Applicant is encouraged to use the <u>Colorado Stormwater</u> Detention and Infiltration Facility Notification Portal to meet the notification requirements.

DWR does not have any objections to the operation as proposed. Please contact Wenli Dickinson in Denver at Wenli.Dickinson@state.co.us or Glen Lund at the Division 5 Office at glen.lund@state.co.us