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Preliminary Adequacy Review, TR2 application, Sandoval Land and Cattle Pit, Permit no. M-2001-015

1 message

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To: Keith Woodring <keith.woodring@lasanimascounty.org>

Thu, Jul 31, 2025 at 11:35 AM

Good morning,

Attached is a copy of the Division's Preliminary Adequacy review for the TR2 application submitted for the Sandoval Land and Cattle Pit. Also attached to this is email for your convenience for addressing items 3-5 in the adequacy review, is a Word document copy of the currently approved Exhibit C and Exhibit D (excluding a revision to item i of Exhibit C approved through TR1).

Please email your responses to the adequacy review as a reply to this email at least five days prior to the August 29, 2025 decision date. If you will require more time to provide these responses, please send an extension request for the amount of time you will need to address these items.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thank you,

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2 attachments

Word version of Mining and Reclamation exhibits.docx
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Adequacy Review_TR2_Sandoval Land and Cattle Pit_M2001015.pdf
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July 31, 2025

Keith Woodring
Las Animas County
2000 N Linden Ave
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Re: Preliminary Adequacy Review, Technical Revision No. 2 (TR2), Sandoval Land and Cattle Pit, M-2001-015

Dear Mr. Woodring,

The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division/DRMS) is in the process of reviewing the above referenced Technical Revision in order to ensure that it adequately satisfies the requirements of the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Act (§ 34-32.5-101-34-32.5-125) (Act) and the Rules and Regulations for the Extraction of Construction Materials (Rules).

*The Act and the Rules can be found on the Division's website under Rules and Regs – Mineral Program – Construction Materials.

*This is a direct link to the Rules and Regulations for the Extraction of Construction Materials (Rules): <https://drive.google.com/file/d/115U8fOVjQ7VyB3GC7DGv6Gkcz7PwuRI/view>

During review of the material submitted, the Division determined that the following issues of concern need to be adequately addressed before the Technical Revision can be considered for approval:

1. The TR2 form did not mention a map update, or the reasoning for a new map. As stated in the Division's December 19, 2024 inspection report, it was determined that the originally permitted map depicted a slightly different orientation of the permit boundary than what is marked in the field. For the permit record, please confirm via cover letter or within your emailed response to this review that the map submitted with the TR2 application is an attempt to remedy this discrepancy.
2. The map submitted with the TR2 application (see item 1 above) does not meet the requirements of Rule 6.2.1(2). Please update the map(s) to meet Rule 6.2.1(2).

Additionally, please provide at least three maps that also meet the following requirements:

- a. Rule 6.3.1 Exhibit A Location Map
- b. Rule 6.3.5 Exhibit E – Map (In addition with the requirements of Rule 6.3.5(1) see the specific requirements for the Mining Plan Map 6.3.5(2) and the Reclamation Plan Map 6.3.5(3).)

3. The Applicant submitted a document with revised wording for item "f" in the currently approved



Mining Plan narrative. For clarity for the Permittee, Division, and the Public, please make these revisions within the currently approved mining plan narrative. Please change the text color of the revised text to aid with reviewing efficiency. For your convenience, a word document version of the mining plan narrative has been attached within the email containing this review.

4. With item 3 above, please also revise item "m" that states "this pit needs to stay active" as the approval of TR1 in 2013 changed the permit status to an intermittent operation. Please revise this item to state that this site has been approved to operate as an intermittent operation via the approval of technical revision no. 1.
5. Please review all that is within the currently approved Exhibit C and D narratives attached to the email sent with this review. If anything else needs to be updated, please propose changes by changing the text color and editing the text within the document. Please ensure that the plans reflect how the site is currently being operated and how it is intended to operate moving forward.

Please email your responses to the above listed issue at least five days prior to the decision date in order to allow the Division sufficient time for review. The decision date for this application is currently set for **August 29, 2025**. If you cannot address the above issues by this date, please request an extension to the decision due date to ensure adequate time for the Division to review materials. If any adequacy issues remain by the decision due date the Division may deny your request. The Division will continue to review your Technical Revision and will contact you if additional information is needed.

If you have any questions, please send me an email at amber.gibson@state.co.us, or call me at 720-836-0967.

Sincerely,



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Cc: Jared Ebert, Senior EPS, DRMS