

July 31, 2025

A. Blasi Son Trucking Earthmoving, LLC Brad Blasi 38043 CR 32.4 Trinidad, CO 81082

Re: Cucharas Pit, File No. M-2002-109, Inspection Problem Corrective Action, Extension Request

Dear Mr. Blasi,

On July 31, 2025, the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division/DRMS) received an extension request to the corrective action date set for the following inspection problem cited in the Division's October 22, 2024 inspection report:

**INSPECTION TOPIC:** Reclamation Success

**PROBLEM:** Failure to follow approved reclamation plan, or current reclamation plan needs to be updated and clarified pursuant to C.R.S. 34-32.5-116 (1). The operator must follow approved reclamation plan or provide sufficient information to describe or identify how the operator intends to conduct reclamation.

**CORRECTIVE ACTIONS:** The Operator shall submit a Technical Revision, with the required \$216 revision fee, to update and clarify the current approved reclamation plan to reflect existing and proposed activities by the corrective action date.

**CORRECTIVE ACTION DUE DATE:** 4/01/25

To abate the inspection problem, the Operator was instructed in the Division's inspection report to do one of the following options:

\* The Operator stated that they will speak to the landowner(s) about the overburden/topsoil stockpiles and the product stockpiles onsite and ask whether they would be interested in keeping them. The stockpiles can remain after reclamation <u>only if</u> the Operator submits a signed and dated letter from the landowner(s) stating their desire to leave the stockpiles for potential use on their land and if the Operator submits a Technical Revision to update



and clarify the current approved reclamation plan and reclamation plan map to reflect existing and proposed activities.

\* If the landowners are unable to be reached, or do not agree to leaving the stockpiles, the Operator shall complete reclamation as approved in the reclamation plan. The remaining reclamation onsite consists of removing the stockpiles and/or spreading and grading the stockpiles, replacing topsoil at an average depth of six inches, and revegetating any new and remaining disturbance with the approved seed plan.

You have requested to extend the currently set April 1, 2025 corrective action date to May 30, 2026 to both align with your company's schedule and to allow for the treatment of weeds prior to this year's onset of frost.

The Division **approves** your extension request. The new corrective action date for this item has been set for <u>May 30, 2026</u>. The Operator shall provide evidence that one of the two options above has been completed by the corrective action date. If the corrective actions have not been completed by the corrective action date, the Division may begin enforcement actions.

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

Sincerely,

Amber M. Gibson, Environmental Protection Specialist, DRMS

CC: Via email: Sarah Blasi, Brian Blasi, and Laura Blasi Jared Ebert, DRMS