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Rio Grande Bentonite M2002106- Surety Increase (SI-2)

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Wed, Aug 6, 2025 at 12:42 PM

To: Larry Mondragon <riograndebentonite@gmail.com>

Cc: Jared Ebert - DNR <jared.ebert@state.co.us>, Sara Stevenson-Benn - DNR <sara.stevenson-benn@state.co.us>

Good afternoon,

Attached to this email is a pdf of a notice from the Division for Surety Increase (SI-2) for the Rio Grande Bentonite, permit number M-2002-106.

A hard copy will not be delivered unless requested. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Thanks,

Chris Girardi

Environmental Protection Specialist



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August 6, 2025

Larry Mondragon
9451 U.S. Highway 285 S
Alamosa, CO 81101

Re: Surety Increase (SI-2), Rio Grande Bentonite, Permit No. M-2002-106

Dear Mr. Mondragon:

On August 6, 2025, the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (“Division” or “DRMS”) increased the required surety for this permit to \$7,345 in accordance with Rule 4.2.1. This increase in required surety is based on the June 2025 Inspection and documentation of reclamation tasks submitted on July 23, 2025. The Division currently holds a Financial Warranty in the amount of \$4,462. Therefore, the resultant surety increase is \$2,883.

On this date, the Division orders amendment of the current financial warranty or submittal of a new financial warranty reflecting the surety increase within 60 days from August 6, 2025.

Please make arrangements with Sara M. Stevenson-Benn at the Division’s Denver office for submittal of the financial warranty. Any other questions regarding completion, execution and/or submittal of the financial warranty forms should be directed to Sara M. Stevenson-Benn by telephone at (303) 866-3567, or by email at sara.stevenson-benn@state.co.us

The Permittee for this site may be scheduled for a formal board hearing for a possible violation if the surety increase is not provided in full.

Current Financial Warranty Held:	\$4,462.00
Prior Reclamation Liability Amount:	\$4,462.00
Revised Reclamation Liability Amount:	\$7,345.00
Change in Reclamation Liability Amount:	\$2,883.00

If you have any questions, please contact me by email at chris.girardi@state.co.us.

Sincerely,

Chris Girardi



Chris Girardi
Environmental Protection Specialist

cc: Jared Ebert; DRMS
Sara Stevenson-Benn, DRMS