

August 22, 2025

Michele M and Frederick V Eichler IV PO Box 751 Trinidad, CO 81082

RE: EXTENSION REQUEST, THE BROYLES PIT, PERMIT NO. M-2004-028, CORRECTIVE ACTIONS

Dear Mrs. and Mr. Eichler,

On August 22, 2025, the Division received an extension request to extend the corrective action date for the following inspection problems cited in the Division's March 26, 2025 inspection report for The Broyles Pit (Permit No. M-2004-028).

## 1. **INSPECTION TOPIC:** Revegetation

**PROBLEM:** Tamarisk (salt cedar) trees are present within or have volunteered into the permit area and are becoming established. This is a problem for failure to employ weed control methods for a state listed noxious weed species within the permitted area, and to reduce the spread of weeds to nearby areas as required by Section 3.1.10 (6) of the rule. **CORRECTIVE ACTIONS:** The Operator shall either implement the existing weed control plan, or develop a weed control and management plan in accordance with Section 3.1.10 (6) of the Rule. This plan should be developed in consultation with the county extension agency, or weed control district office and should include specific control measures to be applied, a schedule for when control measures will be applied and a post-treatment monitoring plan. The Operator shall provide the Division with evidence that the weeds have been eradicated by the corrective action date.

**CORRECTIVE ACTION DUE DATE: 6/17/25** 

## 2. **INSPECTION TOPIC:** Sediment Control

**PROBLEM:** Erosion gullies and ruts were observed on-site. This is a problem at this time for failure to protect the affected land from erosion pursuant to C.R.S. 34-32.5-116 (4) (j).

**CORRECTIVE ACTIONS:** The Operator shall provide photo documentation to the Division verifying erosion gullies and ruts have been repaired, and that the site has have been reconstructed and stabilized to prevent erosion damage by the corrective action date. **CORRECTIVE ACTION DUE DATE:** 6/17/25



## 3. **INSPECTION TOPIC:** Signs & Markers

**PROBLEM:** The mine identification sign contains incorrect information regarding the Permittee.

**CORRECTIVE ACTIONS:** The Operator shall, at the entrance of the mine site, post a sign which shall be clearly visible from the access road with the following: the name of the operator, a statement that a reclamation permit for the operation has been issued by the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board; and the permit number. The Operator shall submit photo documentation that a proper sign has been posted by the corrective action date.

**CORRECTIVE ACTION DUE DATE: 6/17/25** 

The Division approves the extension. The new corrective action date is now set for February 28, 2026.

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

Sincerely,

Amber M. Gibson

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