



September 29, 2025

Keith Woodring
Las Animas County
Road and Bridge Dept.
2000 N Linden Ave
Trinidad, CO 81082

**RE: Extension Request Approval, Castillo Pit Permit No. M-2000-053, Inspection
Problem Corrective Actions**

Dear Mr. Woodring,

On September 29, 2025, the Division received your request for an extension to the corrective action date, currently set for September 30, 2025, for the following inspection problems cited in the Division's report for the April 4, 2025 inspection of the Castillo Pit:

INSPECTION TOPIC: Reclamation Success

PROBLEM: Reclamation has not been carried to completion within five years of last mining activity at the site as required by Rule 3.1.3.

CORRECTIVE ACTIONS: The Operator shall, conduct final backfilling and grading, seed with the approved seed mixture, and suitably restrict grazing during the seeding's initial establishment at the site. The Operator shall submit documentation that final reclamation has been completed by the corrective action date.

The Division **approves** your extension request. The new corrective action deadline has been set for **November 30, 2025**.



Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Amber M. Gibson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Amber" and last name "Gibson" clearly distinguishable.

Amber M. Gibson
Environmental Protection Specialist
Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety