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Construction Materials
Limited (110) Operation
RECLAMATION PERMIT**

**LAS ANIMAS COUNTY
STATE OF COLORADO**

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Names and mailing addresses of all listed owners of record WITHIN 200 FEET OF THE
PERMIT BOUNDARY.

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EXHIBIT "A"

Legal Description and Location Map

VISCONTI Gravel Pit Permit Boundary

A parcel of land in Section 34, Township 31 South, Range 68, West, 6th P.M., LAS ANIMAS County, State of Colorado, more particularly described as follows:
Commencing at the UTM Coordinate Zone 13, 501635E, and 412790N the Point of Beginning (P.O.B.) at the south corner of the permit boundary thence following the five (5) Courses;

THENCE N 35°56' W, A DISTANCE OF 482 FEET,
THENCE N 67° 39' W, A DISTANCE OF 368 FEET,
THENCE N 07° 27' E, A DISTANCE OF 401 FEET,
THENCE S 62° 00' E, A DISTANCE OF 1088 FEET,
THENCE S 41° 00' W, A DISTANCE OF 608 FEET,
BACK TO THE (P.O.B.) POINT OF BEGINNING) CONTAINING 9.9 ACRES MORE OR LESS.

*ENTRY GATE UTM COORDINATES: ZONE 13, 501688E,
4127653N, NAD 83/WGS 84. ELEVATION 8735 FEET.*

EXHIBIT “B”

Site Description

6.3.2 The Site Description for the Visconti Gravel Pit is as follows
(Please also see Site-Pre-mining Map):

LITTLEPINE SERIES

The Littlepine series consists of very deep, well drained soils that formed in alluvium or slope alluvium derived from sandstone. Littlepine soils are on fan remnants and hills. Slopes range from 3 to 30 percent. Mean annual precipitation is about 20 inches and the mean annual temperature is about 44 degrees F.

TAXONOMIC CLASS: fine-loamy, mixed, superactive, frigid Typic Haplustalfs

TYPICAL PEDON: Littlepine fine sandy loam, on a southeast facing, 12 percent slope in pine trees at an elevation of 7,250 feet. (Colors are for dry soil unless otherwise noted.) When described on July 12, 2000 the soil was moist from 0 to 30 inches.

Oi--0 to 1 inches; slightly decomposed organic material. (0 to 2 inches thick)

A--1 to 3 inches; very dark grayish brown (10YR 3/2) fine sandy loam, black (10YR 2/1) moist; moderate fine and medium granular structure; soft, very friable, nonsticky and nonplastic; many very fine and fine roots; neutral (pH 6.6); abrupt wavy boundary. (2 to 4 inches thick)

E--3 to 6 inches; brown (10YR 5/3) fine sandy loam, dark brown (10YR 3/3) moist; weak fine subangular blocky structure; slightly hard, very friable, non-sticky and non plastic; many fine and medium roots; slightly acid (pH 6.2); abrupt wavy boundary. (2 to 4 inches thick)

Bt1--6 to 16 inches; brown (7.5YR 4/3) sandy clay loam, dark brown (7.5YR 3/4) moist; strong medium prismatic structure parting to strong fine and medium subangular blocks; extremely hard, very firm, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; common fine and medium roots; few patchy distinct skeletalans on vertical faces of peds; common patchy distinct clay films on vertical faces of peds; neutral (pH 6.8); clear smooth boundary.

Bt2--16 to 30 inches; brown (7.5YR 4/4) sandy clay loam, brown (7.5YR 4/4) moist; moderate coarse prismatic structure parting to strong fine and medium angular blocks; extremely hard, very firm, moderately sticky and moderately plastic; common fine and medium roots; common patchy distinct clay films on vertical and top faces of peds; neutral (pH 6.8); gradual smooth boundary. (combined thickness of Bt horizons are 26 to 45 inches thick)

Bt3--30 to 48 inches; brown (7.5YR 4/4) clay loam, brown (7.5YR 5/4) moist; moderate medium subangular blocky structure; very hard, firm, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; few fine and medium roots; common patchy distinct clay films on vertical and top faces of peds; neutral (pH 7.0); clear smooth boundary.

BC--48 to 66 inches; yellowish brown (10YR 5/6) sandy clay loam, dark yellowish brown (10YR 4/4) moist; weak medium subangular blocky structure; slightly hard, friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; few patchy distinct pressure faces on vertical faces of peds; neutral (pH 7.2); clear smooth boundary. (10 to 20 inches thick)

C--66 to 72 inches; yellowish brown (10YR 5/6) sandy loam, dark yellowish brown (10YR 4/4) moist; massive; slightly hard, very friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; neutral (pH 7.2).

TYPE LOCATION: Las Animas County, Colorado; located about 1,800 feet east and 1,950 feet south of the northwest corner of sec. 32, T. 31 S., R. 65 W.; Del Agua USGS quad.; lat. 37 degrees 18 minutes 19 seconds N. and long. 104 degrees 42 minutes 3 seconds W.

RANGE IN CHARACTERISTICS:

Soil moisture: The soil moisture control section is moist in some part March through August; Ustic moisture regime.

Mean annual soil temperature: 40 to 44 degrees F.

Mean summer soil temperature: 55 to 59 degrees F.

Depth to the base of the argillic horizon: 40 to 80 inches

Particle-size control section (weighted average):

Clay content: 25 to 35 percent

Sand content: 40 to 55 percent

Rock fragments: 0 to 5 percent

A horizon:

Hue: 7.5YR or 10YR

Value: 3 or 4 dry, 2 or 3 moist

Chroma: 1 to 3

Clay content: 10 to 20 percent

Sand content: 50 to 75 percent

Reaction: slightly acid or neutral

E horizon:

Hue: 7.5YR or 10YR

Value: 5 to 7 dry, 3 to 5 moist

Chroma: 2 or 3

Texture: fine sandy loam, sandy loam

Clay content: 10 to 20 percent

Sand content: 50 to 75 percent

Rock fragments: 0 to 5 percent

Reaction: slightly acid or neutral

Bt horizons:

Hue: 7.5YR or 10YR

Value: 5 or 6 dry, 4 or 5 moist

Chroma: 3 to 6

Texture: sandy clay loam, clay loam

Clay content: 20 to 35 percent

Sand content: 40 to 75 percent

Rock fragments: 0 to 5 percent

Reaction: slightly acid or neutral

The Bt1 horizon has 5 to 15% skeletalans on surface of peds

BC horizon: (if present)

Hue: 7.5YR or 10YR

Value: 5 or 6 dry, 4 or 5 moist
Chroma: 3 to 6
Texture: sandy clay loam, sandy loam
Clay content: 15 to 27 percent
Sand content: 55 to 75 percent
Rock fragments: 0 to 15 percent
Reaction: slightly acid or neutral

C horizon:
Hue: 7.5YR or 10YR
Value: 5 or 6 dry, 4 or 5 moist
Chroma: 3 to 6
Texture: sandy loam, coarse sandy loam
Clay content: 7 to 20 percent
Sand content: 55 to 75 percent
Rock fragments: 0 to 35 percent
Reaction: slightly acid to slightly alkaline

COMPETING SERIES: These are the [Alderon](#) (WY), [Allens Park](#) (CO), [Bayerton](#) (WY), [Belltower](#) (MT), [Elbeth](#) (CO), [Elbuck](#) (MT), [Elmark](#) (MT), [Haugen](#), [Heflin](#), [Hoyt](#) (MT), [Jemco](#) (CO), [Jemez](#), [Kunz](#) (UT), [Kwjavu](#), [Losindios](#) (NM), [Lumpgulch](#) (MT), [Northrim](#) (CO), [Plome](#) (CO), [Rule](#) (CO), [Shoemaker](#) (NM), [Sweetweed](#) (MT), and [Tunitcha](#) (NM) series.

Alderon soils: 20 to 40 inches to paralithic contact.
Allens Park soils: 20 to 40 inches to lithic contact.
Bayerton soils: 20 to 40 inches to paralithic contact.
Belltower soils: 20 to 40 inches to paralithic contact.
Elbeth soils: The argillic horizon extends to more than 60 inches and has a Bw horizon.
Elbuck soils: 15 to 35 percent rock fragments in the particle-size control section.
Elmark soils: 20 to 40 inches to paralithic contact.
Haugen soils: have accumulations of secondary carbonates.
Heflin soils: have a paralithic contact at 40 to 60 inches.
Hoyt soils: averages 10 to 35 percent rock fragments in the control section.
Jemco soils: 20 to 40 inches to lithic contact.
Jemez soils: have a lithic contact at 20 to 40 inches.
Kunz soils: does not have an E horizon and has mollic colors when mixed to a depth of 7 inches.
Kwjavu soils: do not have E horizons and have rock fragments of diorite.
Losindios soils: does not have an E horizon and is drier April through June.
Lumpgulch soils: 20 to 40 inches to paralithic contact over a lithic contact.
Northrim soils: do not have E horizons and are presumed to average greater than 5 percent rock fragments in the particle-size control section.
Plome and Rule soils: Have hues of 10R to 5YR.
Shoemaker soils: 20 to 40 inches to lithic contact.
Sweetweed soils: have an E/Bt (Glossic) horizon.
Tunitcha soils: 40 to 60 inches to paralithic contact.

GEOGRAPHIC SETTING:

Parent material: alluvium or slope alluvium derived from sandstone
Landform: fan remnants and hills in the foothills
Slopes: 3 to 30 percent
Elevation: 7,000 to 9,000 feet
Mean annual temperature: 43 to 46 degrees F
Mean annual precipitation: 18 to 22 inches
Precipitation pattern: continental climate
Wettest period: April through August
Driest period: November through February
Frost-free period: 70 to 100 days.

GEOGRAPHICALLY ASSOCIATED SOILS: These are the [Allens Park](#), [Gulnare](#), [Trag](#), and [Wahatoya](#) series.

The Allens Park soils are 20 to 40 inches to lithic contact and are on backslopes of hills.
The Gulnare soils are 10 to 20 inches to lithic contact and are on summits and shoulders of hills.
The Trag soils have a mollic epipedon and are on footslopes of fans.
The Wahatoya soils are 20 to 40 inches to lithic contact and are on steep backslopes of hills.

DRAINAGE AND PERMEABILITY: well drained, medium runoff, moderate permeability.

USE AND VEGETATION: Woodland, rangeland, and wildlife habitat. The native vegetation is Ponderosa pine, Gambel's Oak, mountain muhly, pine dropseed, Arizona fescue, and bluegrass.

DISTRIBUTION AND EXTENT: Southeastern foothills of Colorado; LRR E, MLRA 49; moderate extent.

MLRA OFFICE RESPONSIBLE: Lakewood, Colorado

SERIES ESTABLISHED: Las Animas County, Colorado, 2007; Las Animas and parts of Huerfano County soil survey area, Colorado. The name is coined from a canyon in the area.

REMARKS:

Diagnostic horizons and features recognized in this pedon are:
Particle-size control section: The zone from 6 to 26 inches. (Bt1 and part of Bt2 horizons)
argillic horizon: The zone from 6 to 48 inches. (Bt1, Bt2, Bt3 horizons)
This soil was originally part of the Maitland series. The Maitland series was reclassified as having a udic moisture regime.

The assignment of the cation-exchange activity class is inferred from lab data from similar soils in the surrounding area.

Taxonomic Version: Tenth Edition, 2006.

DAVTONE SERIES

The Davtone series consists of very deep, well drained soils that formed in alluvium and colluvium derived from red sandstone. Davtone soils are on mountains fans, drainageways, and hills. Slopes range from 2 to 45 percent. Mean annual precipitation is about 24 inches and the mean annual temperature is about 39 degrees F.

TAXONOMIC CLASS: Fine-loamy, mixed, superactive Pachic Argicryolls

TYPICAL PEDON: Davtone loam - rangeland. (Colors are for dry soil unless otherwise noted.)

A--0 to 19 inches; very dark grayish brown (10YR 3/2) loam, very dark brown (10YR 2/2) moist; strong medium granular structure; slightly hard, friable, nonsticky and nonplastic; neutral (pH 6.8); clear smooth boundary. (6 to 20 inches thick)

AB--19 to 30 inches; reddish brown (5YR 4/3) sandy clay loam, dark reddish brown (5YR 3/3) moist; weak fine subangular blocky structure; soft, friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; 2 percent cobbles and 10 percent gravel; neutral (pH 7.0); clear wavy boundary. (0 to 11 inches thick)

Bt1--30 to 41 inches; reddish brown (5YR 5/3) cobbly sandy clay loam, reddish brown (5YR 4/3) moist; moderate medium subangular blocky structure; hard, friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; common faint clay films on faces of peds; 20 percent cobbles and 10 percent gravel; neutral (pH 7.0); clear wavy boundary. (9 to 14 inches thick)

Bt2--41 to 48 inches; reddish brown (5YR 5/3) gravelly sandy clay loam, reddish brown (5YR 4/3) moist; moderate medium subangular blocky structure; hard, friable, moderately sticky and moderately plastic; many faint clay films on faces of peds; 5 percent cobbles and 10 percent gravel; neutral (pH 7.2); clear wavy boundary. (7 to 14 inches thick)

C--48 to 60 inches; yellowish red (5YR 5/6) very gravelly sandy loam, yellowish red (5YR 4/6) moist; massive; soft, very friable, nonsticky and nonplastic; 15 percent cobbles and 35 percent gravel; neutral (pH 7.2).

TYPE LOCATION: Las Animas County, Colorado; about 4.3 miles west of Highway 12 in the south end of Duling Park; T. 33 S., R. 69 W.

RANGE IN CHARACTERISTICS:

Soil moisture: The soil moisture control section is affected by precipitation that is relatively evenly distributed throughout the year with peak periods in spring and summer; Udic moisture regime bordering on ustic.

Mean annual soil temperature: 39 to 44 degrees F

Mean annual summer soil temperature: 55 to 59 degrees F

Depth to argillic horizon: 6 to 35 inches

Thickness of the mollic epipedon: 16 to 40 inches

Thickness of the argillic horizon: 16 to 28 inches

Particle-size control section (weighted average):

Clay content: 20 to 35 percent

Rock fragments: 0 to 35 percent gravel and cobbles

A horizon:

Hue: 7.5YR or 10YR

Value: 3 or 4 dry, 2 or 3 moist

Chroma: 2 or 3

Reaction: neutral or slightly alkaline

Bt horizon:

Hue: 10R to 5YR

Value: 3 to 5 dry, 3 or 4 moist

Chroma: 2 or 3

Texture: loam, sandy clay loam, clay loam modified by 0 to 35 percent rock fragments.

Clay content: 20 to 35 percent

Rock fragments: 0 to 35 percent

Reaction: neutral or slightly alkaline

C horizon:

Hue: 10R to 5YR

Value: 5 or 6 dry, 4 or 5 moist

Chroma: 3 to 6

Texture: sandy loam, loam modified by 20 to 60 percent rock fragments

Clay content: 15 to 27 percent

Rock fragments: 20 to 60 percent dominantly gravel

Reaction: neutral or slightly alkaline

COMPETING SERIES: These are the [Bachus](#), [Bavdark](#) (MT), [Benteen](#) (MT), [Brushstop](#) (ID), [Clayburn](#) (UT), [Crowdon](#) (UT) [Crystalbutte](#) (ID), [Dehana](#) (ID), [Decross](#) (WY), [Demast](#), [Draburn](#) (ID), [Dranyon](#) (ID), [Echemoor](#), [Hagenbarth](#) (ID), [Hoopgobel](#) (ID), [Millerlake](#) (WY), [Odark](#) (MT), [Pontuge](#) (ID), [Senchert](#) (UT), [Southmount](#) (ID), [Squawval](#) (NV), [Stubbs](#) ((WY), [Thulepah](#) (NV), [Vadnais](#) (ID), and [Winu](#) (NV) series. Bachus, Benteen, Hoopgobel, Senchert, Squawval, Stubbs, Vadnais, and Winu soils: are lithic or paralithic contact at depths of 20 to 40 inches. Bavdark, Clayburn, Crystalbutte, Decross, Dranyon, Hagenbarth, and Millerlake: have hues of 7.5YR or yellower in the Bt horizon.

Brushstop and Echemoor soils: have paralithic contact at depths of 40 to 60 inches.

Crowdon soils: have a lithic contact at depths of 40 to 60 inches.

Dehana soils: formed from rhyolitic, latite, and volcanic ash.

Demast soils: have lithic contact at a depth of 40 to 60 inches deep and formed from volcanic rock.

Draburn and Pontuge soils have a xeric moisture regime.

Echemoor soils: have paralithic contact at a depth of 40 to 60 inches.

Odark and Southmount soils: have hues of 10YR or 2.5Y.

Thulepah soils: formed from basaltic rock.

GEOGRAPHIC SETTING:

Parent material: alluvium and colluvium derived from red sandstone

Landform: mountains, hills, drainageways and fans

Slopes: 2 to 45 percent
Elevation: 7,000 to 10,000 feet
Mean annual temperature: 36 to 42 degrees F
Mean annual precipitation: 20 to 26 inches
Frost-free period: 30 to 75 days.

GEOGRAPHICALLY ASSOCIATED SOILS: These are the [Hierro](#), [Leadville](#), and [Wichup](#) series. The Hierro and Leadville soils lack a mollic epipedon, have an albic horizon, and have woodland vegetation. The Wichup soils have a layer of peat on the surface and have a water table within 2 feet of the surface.

DRAINAGE AND PERMEABILITY: Well drained, low to high runoff, moderate permeability.

USE AND VEGETATION: These soils are used for rangeland and wildlife habitat. Potential vegetation consists of Arizona fescue, Thurber's fescue, Parry oatgrass, mountain brome, western wheatgrass, and bluegrass.

DISTRIBUTION AND EXTENT: Colorado, Utah, and Wyoming; LRR E, MLRA 48A, 49, and 47; this series is of moderate extent.

MLRA OFFICE RESPONSIBLE: Lakewood, Colorado.

SERIES ESTABLISHED: Henry's Fork soil survey area, Utah and Wyoming, 1990.

REMARKS:

Diagnostic horizons and features recognized in this pedon are:

Mollic epipedon: The zone from 0 to 30 inches. (A and AB horizons)

Argillic horizon: The zone from 30 to 48 inches. (Bt1 and Bt2 horizons)

The Davtone series was previously proposed in Routt County, Colorado and was later moved to Las Animas County, Colorado.

The assignment of the cation-exchange activity class is inferred from lab data from similar soils in the surrounding area.

Classification was Fine-loamy, mixed Argic Pachic Cryoborolls (prior to Eighth Edition of the Keys)

Last updated 4/01.

Taxonomic Version: Eighth Edition, 1998

TERCIO SERIES

The Tercio series consists of very deep, well drained soils that formed in colluvium and residuum derived from shale and siltstone. Tercio soils are on mountain slopes. Slopes range from 15 to 40 percent. Mean annual precipitation is about 24 inches and the mean annual temperature is about 40 degrees F.

TAXONOMIC CLASS: Fine, smectitic Ustic Glossoeryalfs

TYPICAL PEDON: Tercio cobbly loam, on a north facing, convex, 28 percent slope in forest at an elevation of 8880 feet. (Colors are for dry soil unless otherwise noted.) When described on July 10, 1985 the soil was moist from 0 to 38 inches.

Oi--0 to 2 inches; partially decomposed moss, needles and twigs. (0 to 2 inches thick)

E--2 to 10 inches; very pale brown (10YR 7/3) cobbly loam, brown (10YR 4/3) moist; moderate fine granular structure; slightly hard, friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; 5 percent gravel, 10 percent cobbles; strongly acid (pH 5.3); clear smooth boundary. (6 to 10 inches thick)

E/B--10 to 16 inches; 60 percent very pale brown (10YR 7/3) very cobbly loam, brown (10YR 4/3) moist and 40 percent light yellowish brown (10YR 6/4) very cobbly clay loam, dark yellowish brown (10YR 4/4) moist; moderate fine and medium subangular blocky structure; hard, firm, sticky and plastic; 15 percent gravel, 30 percent cobbles; moderately acid (pH 6.0); clear smooth boundary. (4 to 8 inches thick)

Bt1--16 to 30 inches; light yellowish brown (10YR 6/4) gravelly clay, brown (10YR 4/3) moist; strong coarse blocky structure; extremely hard, very firm, very sticky and very plastic; many thin clay films on faces of peds; 15 percent gravel, 5 percent cobbles; moderately acid (pH 5.8); gradual smooth boundary.

Bt2--30 to 38 inches; yellowish brown (10YR 5/4) cobbly clay, brown (10YR 4/3) moist; common fine distinct yellowish brown (10YR 5/6) relict redox concentrations on ped faces; strong medium blocky structure; extremely hard, very firm, very sticky and very plastic; common thin patchy clay films on faces of peds; 10 percent gravel, 20 percent cobbles; moderately acid (pH 5.6); clear wavy boundary. (Combined Bt1 and Bt2 thickness is 20 to 40 inches)

BC--38 to 70 inches; yellowish brown (10YR 5/4) cobbly clay loam, brown (10YR 4/3) moist; many fine distinct yellowish brown (10YR 5/6) relict redox concentrations on ped faces; moderate fine subangular blocky structure; very hard, very firm, sticky and plastic; 20 percent cobbles, 15 percent shale parafragments; strongly acid (pH 5.2).

TYPE LOCATION: Las Animas County, Colorado; about 4.7 miles southwest of Tercio; located in an unsectionalized area about 1.5 miles north of the New Mexico state line and 800 feet north of Rincon Creek, T. 35 S., R. 68 W.; Torres USGS quad; lat. 37 degrees 00 minutes 43 seconds N. and long. 105 degrees 02 minutes 14 seconds W., NAD 1927

RANGE IN CHARACTERISTICS:(depths are from the mineral soil surface)

Soil moisture: The soil moisture control section is moist March through August and dry December through February; Udic moisture regime bordering on ustic.

Mean annual soil temperature: 38 to 40 degrees F

Mean annual summer soil temperature: 45 to 47 degrees F

Depth to albic horizon: 0 to 2 inches

Depth to argillic horizon: 10 to 18 inches

Depth to glossic horizon: 6 to 10 inches

Depth to redox concentrations: 26 to 40 inches

Thickness of the argillic horizon: 20 to 40 inches

Particle-size control section (weighted average):

Clay content: 40 to 50 percent

Sand content: 20 to 30 percent

Rock fragments: 20 to 30 percent

An A horizon is present in some pedons.

E horizon:

Hue: 7.5YR or 10YR

Value: 6 or 7 dry, 4 or 5 moist

Chroma: 2 or 3

Clay content: 18 to 27 percent

Rock fragments: 15 to 35 percent

Reaction: strongly acid or moderately acid

E/B horizon:

Hue: 7.5YR or 10YR

Value: 6 or 7 dry, 4 or 5 moist (E part)

Value: 5 or 6 dry, 4 or 5 moist (B part)

Chroma: 2 or 3 (E part), 4 to 6 (B part)

Texture (B): cobbly silty clay loam, very cobbly clay loam, cobbly clay loam

Texture (E): very cobbly loam

Clay content: 27 to 40 percent

Rock fragments: 25 to 50 percent, 5 to 15 percent gravel, 20 to 35 percent cobbles

Reaction: moderately acid or slightly acid

Bt horizons:

Hue: 7.5YR to 2.5Y

Value: 5 or 6 dry, 4 or 5 moist

Chroma: 4 to 6

Texture: gravelly clay, cobbly clay

Clay content: 40 to 55 percent

Rock fragments: 15 to 35 percent

Base saturation: 50 to 80 percent

Reaction: moderately acid or slightly acid

BC horizon:
Hue: 7.5YR to 2.5Y
Value: 5 or 6 dry, 4 or 5 moist
Chroma: 4 to 6
Texture: gravelly clay, cobbly clay, cobbly clay loam
Clay content: 35 to 55 percent
Rock fragments: 15 to 35 percent
Pararock fragments: 15 to 25 percent, dominantly shale
Base saturation: 50 to 80 percent
Reaction: strongly acid or moderately acid

COMPETING SERIES: These are the [Cowd](#) (CO), [Dell](#) (WY), and [Graneros](#) (CO) series.
Cowd soils: average less than 15 percent rock fragments in the control section
Dell soils: have a lithic contact at depths of 40 to 60 inches
Graneros soils: are 20 to 40 inches to paralithic contact

GEOGRAPHIC SETTING:

Parent material: colluvium and residuum derived from shale and siltstone, commonly the Raton Formation.
Landform: mountain slopes
Slopes: 15 to 40 percent
Elevation: 8,000 to 10,000 feet
Mean annual temperature: 38 to 42 degrees F
Mean annual precipitation: 20 to 26 inches
Precipitation pattern: continental climate
wettest period: April through August
driest period: December through February
Frost-free period: 40 to 60 days.

GEOGRAPHICALLY ASSOCIATED SOILS: These are the [Cucharas](#) and [Graneros](#) series. The Cucharas soils have a mollic epipedon and are on open backslopes.

DRAINAGE AND PERMEABILITY: moderately well drained, rapid runoff, very slow permeability.

USE AND VEGETATION: Woodland and wildlife habitat. Native plant community is Rocky Mountain Douglas fir, white fir, quaking aspen, common juniper, kinnikinnick, mountain brome, and sedges.

DISTRIBUTION AND EXTENT: Southern Rocky Mountains, Colorado; LRR E, MLRA 48A; small extent.

MLRA OFFICE RESPONSIBLE: Lakewood, Colorado.

SERIES ESTABLISHED: Las Animas county, Colorado, 2007, Las Animas County Area and parts of Huerfano County soil survey area, Colorado. The name was taken from a townsite in the area.

REMARKS:

Diagnostic horizons and features recognized in this pedon are:
Particle-size control section: The zone from 10 to 30 inches. (Bt1 and Bt2 horizons)
Albic horizon: The zone from 2 to 10 inches. (E horizon)
Glossic horizon: The zone from 10 to 16 inches. (E/B horizon)
Argillic horizon: The zone from 16 to 38 inches. (Bt1 and Bt2 horizons)
Redoximorphic concentrations are relict and do not reflect the current drainage class of this soil.

The assignment of the cation-exchange activity class is inferred from lab data from similar soils in the surrounding area.

Taxonomic Version: Tenth Edition, 2006

GULNARE SERIES

The Gulnare series consists of shallow, well drained soils that formed in residuum and colluvium from sandstone. Gulnare soils are on mountain slopes, hills, and ridges. Slopes range from 5 to 50 percent. Mean annual temperature is about 44 degrees F., and the mean annual precipitation is about 19 inches.

TAXONOMIC CLASS: Loamy, mixed, superactive, frigid Lithic Haplustalfs

TYPICAL PEDON: Gulnare loam - open stand of ponderosa pine. (Colors are for dry soil unless otherwise stated.)

Oi--0 inches to 2; partially decomposed pine needles.

E--2 to 5 inches; grayish brown (10YR 5/2) loam, very dark grayish brown (10YR 3/2) moist; weak fine granular structure; very friable, nonsticky and nonplastic; 5 percent cobbles, 2 percent stones; neutral (pH 6.8); abrupt smooth boundary. (2 to 4 inches thick)

Bt1--5 to 13 inches; brown (7.5YR 5/4) gravelly clay loam, brown (7.5YR 4/4) moist; moderate medium subangular blocky structure parting to moderate fine subangular blocky; hard, firm, sticky and plastic; 45 distinct clay films on all faces of peds; 15 percent gravel; neutral (pH 7.0); clear smooth boundary. (6 to 9 inches thick)

Bt2--13 to 17 inches; strong brown (7.5YR 5/6) gravelly sandy clay loam, strong brown (7.5YR 4/6) moist; moderate medium subangular blocky structure; hard, firm, sticky and plastic; 40 percent distinct clay films on all faces of peds; 15 percent gravel; moderately acid (pH 5.6); abrupt wavy boundary. (2 to 6 inches thick)

Cr--17 to 19 inches; decomposed sandstone. (0 to 3 inches thick).

R--19 inches; sandstone.

TYPE LOCATION: Las Animas County, Colorado; about 1 mile south of McDonald Reservoir and 1/2 mile west of the Sarcillo Canyon Road; 2,500 feet south and 800 feet west of the northeast corner of Sec. 1, T. 33 S., R. 67 W.; Latitude 37 degrees, 12 minutes 4 seconds N., longitude 104 degrees, 49 minutes 58 seconds W.

RANGE IN CHARACTERISTICS: (Depths are given from the mineral soil surface)

Soil moisture: intermittently moist in some part April through August.

Soil moisture regime: typic ustic moisture regime.

Mean annual soil temperature ranges from 44 to 46 degrees F.

Mean summer soil temperature ranges from 57 to 60 degrees F.

Depth to lithic contact: 10 to 20 inches.

Thickness of the argillic horizon: 8 to 12 inches.

Particle size control section: (weighted average)

Clay content: 20 to 35 percent

Sand content: 35 to 50 percent

Rock fragment content: 15 to 35 percent

In some pedons an A horizon is present.

The E horizon:

Hue: 7.5YR to 2.5Y

Value: 5 to 7 dry, 3 to 5 moist

Chroma: 2 through 4.

Rock fragment content: 0 to 15 percent

Reaction: slightly acid or neutral

The Bt horizons:

Hue: 7.5YR to 2.5Y

Value: 5 or 6 dry, 4 or 5 moist

Chroma: 4 through 6

Texture: gravelly clay loam, gravelly sandy clay loam

Clay content: 20 to 35 percent.

Sand content: 35 to 50 percent

Rock fragment content: 15 to 35 percent

Reaction: moderately acid to neutral

COMPETING SERIES: These are the [Benlowe](#)(CO), [Joebas](#)(CO), and [Lajuita](#)(NM) series.

Benlowe and Lajuita soils are dry in the moisture control section at some time during [May](#) and June.

Joebas soils have hues 5YR or redder.

GEOGRAPHIC SETTING:

Parent material: Colluvium and residuum from sandstone, commonly the Poison Canyon Formation.

Landform: Hills, ridges, and mountain slopes.

Slopes range from 5 to 50 percent.

The mean annual air temperature ranges from 42 to 46 degrees F.

The mean annual precipitation ranges from 17 to 23 inches with peak periods in spring and summer months.

Elevation ranges from 6,800 to 9,000 feet.

The frost-free period is 80 to 100 days.

GEOGRAPHICALLY ASSOCIATED SOILS: These are the [Allens Park](#), [Trujillo](#), and [Wahatoya](#) soils. Allens Park soils have bedrock between 20 to 40 inches and are on summits and footslopes of hills.

Trujillo soils are very deep, have a mollic epipedon, and are on footslopes and toeslopes of hills.

Wahatoya soils have greater than 35 percent rock fragments in the control section and are on backslopes of hills.

DRAINAGE AND PERMEABILITY: Well drained; rapid to very rapid runoff; moderately slow permeability.

USE AND VEGETATION: These soils are used for livestock grazing, Woodland, recreation, and wildlife habitat. Principal native vegetation is ponderosa pine with an understory of Arizona fescue, Mountain muhly, Parry oatgrass, pine dropseed, and mountain brome.

DISTRIBUTION AND EXTENT: Southeastern Colorado. The series is of moderate extent.

MLRA OFFICE RESPONSIBLE: Lakewood, Colorado

SERIES ESTABLISHED: Las Animas County, Colorado, 2007. The name is from a small town in the foothills of Las Animas County

REMARKS: Diagnostic horizons and features recognized in this pedon:

Argillic horizon: the zone from 5 to 18 inches (Bt1 and Bt2 horizons).

Lithic contact: the contact with sandstone at 20 inches.

Last updated by the state 11/2001.

SCANDARD SERIES

The Scandard series consists of moderately deep, well drained soils that formed in colluvium and residuum from sandstone. Scandard soils are on mountain slopes and hills. Slopes range from 5 to 60 percent. The mean annual precipitation is about 25 inches and the mean annual temperature is about 40 degrees F.

TAXONOMIC CLASS: Loamy-skeletal, mixed, superactive Ustollic Haplocryalfs

TYPICAL PEDON: Scandard cobbly clay loam - woodland. (Colors are for dry soil unless otherwise noted.)

Oi--0 to 1 inches; partially decomposed needles and twigs. (0 to 3 inches)

A--1 to 7 inches; dark reddish brown (5YR 3/2) cobbly sandy loam, dark reddish brown (5YR 2/2) moist; moderate fine granular structure; soft, friable, nonsticky and nonplastic; 10 percent gravel, 15 percent cobbles, 5 percent stones; neutral (pH 7.0); clear smooth boundary. (4 to 6 inches)

E--7 to 11 inches; weak red (2.5YR 5/2) very gravelly sandy loam, weak red (2.5YR 4/2) moist; weak fine granular structure; soft, friable, nonsticky and nonplastic; 30 percent gravel, 10 percent cobbles; moderately acid (pH 6.0); clear wavy boundary. (4 to 8 inches)

Bt1--11 to 18 inches; weak red (10R 5/3) very gravelly sandy clay loam, weak red (10R 4/3) moist; moderate medium subangular blocky structure; hard, friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; few thin clay films on faces of peds; 35 percent gravel, 5 percent cobbles; slightly acid (pH 6.4); clear smooth boundary.

Bt2--18 to 25 inches; weak red (10R 4/4) very gravelly sandy clay loam, dusky red (10R 3/4) moist; weak medium subangular blocky structure; slightly hard, friable, slightly sticky and slightly plastic; few thin clay films on ped faces; 45 percent gravel; slightly acid (pH 6.4); gradual wavy boundary. (Combined Bt horizons are 12 to 26 inches thick)

Cr--25 to 27 inches; soft fractured red sandstone.

R--27 inches; hard sandstone.

TYPE LOCATION: Las Animas County, Colorado; approximately 1.8 miles northwest of the summit of San Francisco Pass in an unsectionalized area, T. 34 S., R. 69 W.; latitude 37 degrees, 02 minutes, 07 seconds north; longitude 105 degrees, 07 minutes, 31 seconds west.

RANGE IN CHARACTERISTICS: Depths are from the mineral soil surface;

Soil moisture: continuous throughout the year with peak periods in spring and summer. Soil moisture regime is udic bordering on ustic.

Mean annual soil temperature ranges from 40 to 45 degrees F.

Mean summer soil temperature ranges from 46 to 47 degrees F.

Depth to lithic contact and the base of the argillic: 20 to 40 inches

In some pedons a C horizon may be present.

Particle-size control section: (weighted average)

Clay content: 20 to 35 percent

Sand content: 50 to 70 percent

Rock fragment content: 35 to 75 percent

A thin layer of soft sandstone over hard sandstone is common, but may be absent in some pedons.

A horizon:

Hue: 2.5YR through 7.5YR

Value: 3 through 5 dry, 2 or 3 moist

Chroma: 1 through 3

Texture: sandy loam or loam modified by rock fragments, dominantly cobble

Clay content: 10 to 20 percent

Rock fragment content: 15 to 60 percent

Reaction is neutral or slightly acid.

E horizon:

Hue: 10R through 5YR

Value: of 5 to 7 dry, 4 or 5 moist

Chroma of 2 through 4

Texture: very cobbly sandy loam, very gravelly sandy loam

Clay content: 10 to 20 percent

Rock fragment content: 35 to 60 percent

Reaction is slightly acid or moderately acid.

Bt horizons:

Hue: 10R through 5YR

Value: 4 through 6 dry, 3 to 5 moist

Chroma: 3 through 6

Texture: very gravelly sandy clay loam, very cobbly sandy clay loam

Clay content: 20 to 35 percent

Sand content: 50 to 75 percent, dominantly fine sand and coarser.

Rock fragment content: 35 to 60 percent

Reaction is slightly acid or moderately acid.

COMPETING SERIES: These are the [Buffmeier](#) (CO), [Losee](#) (UT), [Rocko](#) (MT), and [Timberlin](#) (MT) series. Other series that maybe competitors when reclassified are the [Guiser](#) (T)(NV), [Jenkins](#) (ID), [Namon](#) (UT), [Tamred](#) (T)(ID), and [Wapshilla](#) (ID) soils.

Buffmeier, Guiser, Losee, Namon, Rocko, and Wapshilla soils: lack a lithic contact above 40 inches.

Jenkins and Timberlin soils: have hue of 10YR or yellower in the argillic horizon.

Tamred soils: lack E horizons and average less than 50 percent total sand in the argillic horizon.

GEOGRAPHIC SETTING:

Landform: mountain slopes and hills.

Slopes: 5 to 60 percent.

Elevation: 8,000 to 11,000 feet.

Parent material: cobbly and gravelly colluvium and residuum from red sandstone.

Mean annual precipitation ranges from 20 to 30 inches.

Wettest periods: April to August

Driest periods: December to February

The mean annual temperature ranges from 39 to 42 degrees F and a mean summer temperature ranging from 45 to 47 degrees F.

Frost-free season: 50 to 80 days.

GEOGRAPHICALLY ASSOCIATED SOILS: These are the [Hiero](#) and [Leadville](#) soils. Hierro and Leadville soils are greater than 40 inches to a lithic contact and are on backslopes and footslopes.

DRAINAGE AND PERMEABILITY: Well drained; runoff is rapid; moderate permeability.

USE AND VEGETATION: Scandard soils are used primarily for timber production, livestock grazing, and wildlife habitat. Vegetation is mainly Douglas fir, white fir and Engelmann's spruce with an understory of common juniper, cliff bush, Gambel oak, Arizona fescue, mountain brome, and Parry oatgrass. Some areas have significant amounts of aspen.

DISTRIBUTION AND EXTENT: South-central mountains of Colorado; LRR E, MLRA 48A. This series is of small extent.

MLRA OFFICE RESPONSIBLE: Lakewood, Colorado

SERIES ESTABLISHED: Las Animas County, Colorado, 2007.

REMARKS: Diagnostic horizons and features recognized in this pedon are:

Albic horizon: the zone from 7 to 11 inches (E horizon).

Argillic horizon: the zone from 11 to 25 inches (Bt1 and Bt2 horizons).

Lithic contact: red sandstone at 26 inches (R horizon).

The series type location was moved within the county in 1989

Taxonomic Version: Tenth Edition 2006

- (a) The NRCS will notified of this proposed mining operation. The Las Animas office of the NRCS will give the applicant a recommended seed mixture and instructions on how and when to plant. The applicant will use their report for the Reclamation permit with the State of Colorado.
- (b) There are two permanent man-made structures within 200 feet.
The stock pond and the ranch road are near. The stock pond is on the West side of the permit boundary and the road runs through and to the north of the permit boundary. The stock pond will not be disturbed and the road will be relocated to the north of its present location. Please see the locations on Exhibit "E" map.
- (c) Stormwater will be contained within the pit area so no Stormwater will cause any sedimentation
- (d) The Division of Wildlife has been notified and their response has not been received at this time. The applicant does not see any significant impacts on this site for wildlife.

EXHIBIT “C”

Mining Plan

6.3.3 The Mining Plan for the Visconti Gravel Pit is as follows (Please also see Mining Plan Map in Exhibit “E”):

This will be typical open pit gravel mine located on an upland terrace gravel deposit.

(a) All times in the timetable are dependent upon market conditions. The mining timetable is as follows. From the time of startup in the summer of 2008 the operation should take five (10) to seven (15) years.

(b) The topsoil in the site is three (3”) to four (6”) inches deep.

(c) The overburden is 8” to 1’ foot thick. This material will be used to slope the pit sides to a 3:1 slope.

(d) The depth of the deposit is 20’ to 30’ feet deep.

(e) The road from the gate to the processing area is expected to be 16’-20’ feet wide and lead to the processing area. Only portable equipment will be used on this mine site. No structures will be built for this mining project.

(f) The size of area that will be worked at any one time will not exceed the permit area. The area to be disturbed at one time depends on the market conditions and may be as large as the entire 110 Limited Impact Permit boundary area.

(g) The road from the gate to the processing area is expected to be 16’-20’ feet wide and lead to the processing area. The road is an existing road that has been used for logging and the road will not be changed excepted for required maintenance such as graveling and shaping.

(h) No water will be used in the production of the product. Water will only be used for dust control and Best Management Practices. It will be from local sources and trucked to the site.

(i) No groundwater will be encountered during the mining-extraction process. Stormwater diversions and impoundments will be done in a way to prevent erosion and sedimentation. Care will be taken while mining to divert storm water. Water that collects into the pit will percolate into the gravel pit floor.

(j) The operator/applicant will comply with Colorado water quality laws and regulations governing injury to existing water rights. It is not anticipated that any water will be encountered. If ground water is encountered, the proper steps at the State Engineers office will be complied with.

(k) No acid or toxic materials will be used or encountered on this site.

(l) The hydrologic balance will not be influenced by the mining on this site. The initial preparation of the surface before extraction of the sand and gravel will consist of stripping the vegetation and topsoil and placing it in stockpiles for use later during reclamation. Front-end loaders, scrapers, and Excavators or any other suitable surface equipment will be used.

A stormwater management plan will be implemented. A more detailed view of the mining area can be seen in the Mining Plan Map within Exhibit "E".

Extraction of the resource (sand & gravel) will be accomplished with front-end loaders, dozers, scrapers, backhoe excavators, or any surface mining type of equipment that is economically feasible for this site.

This is an open pit surface mine, and mining and construction equipment designed for this task will be used for earthmoving and transporting on site. Mining Excavation will move north in the pit. The mining will be done in such a manner as to minimize any high walls and the pit walls will be left at a 3H:1V gradient, or flatter.

Best Management Practices will be followed during the duration of the operation at this site.

(m) Onsite processing will occur on-site. Crushing and screening will be done on site. A portable crushing and screening plant will be used and the processing will be done on as needed basis or a seasonal timetable. The crushing and screening is dependant upon market demand and thus the schedule for crushing and screening will depend upon the demand.

(n) The primary products (commodities) from this mine site will be used for construction materials as defined by the DRMS, as follows: "Construction Materials" means rock, clay, silt, sand, gravel, limestone, dimension stone, marble or shale extracted for use in the production of non-metallic construction products. The main products will be sand and gravel, road base, asphalt aggregate, concrete aggregates and fill materials. No secondary commodities will be produced.

(o) Sand, gravel and road base along with structural fill are the main commodities to be mined. There are no other commodities to be mined only construction aggregates. (SEE ABOVE)

(p) No use of explosives will be used during mining or reclamation.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR MINING

(1) The applicant RockMasters, Inc. will prepare a Storm Water Management Plan (SWMP) and a Spill Prevention Control and Counter measure (SPCC) plan, for this site. Each SPCC plan, while unique to the facility it covers, must include certain elements.

The elements required are that the SPCC plan be carefully thought out, prepared in accordance with good engineering practices, and should address operating procedures that prevent oil spills; control measures installed to prevent a spill from reaching navigable waters; and counter measures to contain clean up, and mitigate the effects of an oil spill that reaches navigable waters. To meet the above requirements a Storm Water Management Plan and a Fuel Berm Management Plan, plus a Spill Prevention Control and Counter Measure Plan will be done for this site. A permit from the Colorado dept. of Health & Environment Water Quality Control Division will also be obtained. Copies of all the above plans and permits will also be sent to the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety.

(2) RockMasters, Inc. will commit to placing overburden stockpiles along the low edge of all the mining phases as a first step of mining operations, the berms and pits created will control erosion and sedimentation. The operator is committed to control (prevent) erosion and sedimentation from reaching any drainage. All methods of control will be used, sediment traps, riprap, straw bales, earthen berms and liners.

(3) Bulk storage of fuel, and small amounts of lubricates, will be stored on site in an earthen berm with an approved liner around and below the storage container. The earthen structure will have a capacity of at least 110% of the tanks and containers tanks.

This type of structure will be leak resistant and readily cleanable if a spill does happen. The liner will form a pool that the liquid cannot escape to the surrounding areas. The other features of this structure is that it will be designed in such a way that it will be easy to clean up any possible spills. All spills will be soaked up with an absorbent material such as sand or other substances that can absorb the spilled oils or lubricants. After the mixture of absorbents and oil are cleaned up all the waste materials will be transported to the nearest approved disposal site.

(4) RockMasters, Inc. does agree and will commit to Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety permit condition as stated on page (6) six in the application package. Any reportable spill which is a spill of any toxic or hazardous substance (including spills of petroleum products) within the permit area will be reported to any and/or the Division of the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, the National Response Center, the Colorado Emergency Planning Commission, a local Emergency Planning Commission, or the State Oil Inspector. In addition the operator shall notify the Division

of Reclamation, Mining and Safety of a reportable spill within the permit area using the same timeframe required by the permit, license, notice, Act, Rule or Regulation governing the reporting of the spill to the appropriate agency. Notice of a reportable spill shall be faxed to: Minerals Program Supervisor, Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, FAX (303) 832-8106. This FAX will include a callback number of a responsible official for the DRMS staff to use as a contact.

(5) Also for clarification the operator RockMasters, Inc. will use the Best Management Practices (BMPs) onsite. The Best Management Practices (BMPs) as defined by the United States Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Water (WH- 547) EPA 832-R-92-005, September 1992 as found in Appendix E Glossary as follows:

“Best Management Practices (BMPs): Schedules of activities, prohibitions or practices, maintenance procedures, and other management practices to prevent or reduce the pollution of waters of the United States. BMPs also include treatment requirements, operating procedures, and practices to control plant site runoff, spillage or leaks sludge or waste disposal, or drainage from raw material storage. With regard to construction these may include structural devices or nonstructural practices that are designed to prevent pollutants from entering water or to direct the flow of water.”

Exhibit "D"

Reclamation Plan

6.3.4 The Reclamation Plan for the Visconti Gravel Pit is as follows (Please also see Reclamation map located within Exhibit "E"):

(1) The Operation/Applicant has prepared a reclamation plan that addresses the following items; final grading, which includes drainage, seeding, fertilizing, vegetation, and topsoiling. The plan is will be based on the Reclamation Plan from the local NRCS field.

(a) The operator/applicant will reclaim this mine site to Rangeland (RL) as the landowner has directed. The topsoil (growth medium) will be replaced at between 3 inches to 6 inches after mining has been completed.

Dozer and front-end loaders will do the earth moving and the side slopes will be mined at a 3H:1V gradient or flatter to facilitate reclamation, when using farm equipment to prepare the seedbed and grass seeding. The land shaping of the affected area will be done in such a manner as to enhance and blend with the surrounding topography. The pit floor and slopes will have topsoil place upon the entire surface. This pit will then be seeded. The pit floor and the slopes will be seeded as per the NRCS seeding and planting plan as submitted.

(b) As stated before the proposed post-mining land use will be Rangeland. Some of the area will be seeded and consistent with the surrounding lands, which are Rangeland. The slopes will not exceed 3H:1V. The NRCS Reclamation plan will be implemented to the affected area.

(c) A description of how the Reclamation Plan will be implemented.

(i) The plant growth medium will be between 3"- 6".

(ii) Seeding will be done when a major portion of the mining has be completed. The compacted areas will be loosened by using either by a disc or plowing dependent upon the amount of compaction. The rate of fertilizer will be 40 pounds per acre of nitrogen (N) and 10 pounds per acre of phosphorus (P), if it is the recommendation of the NRCS. Topsoiling will be accomplished after mining has moved far enough to make it practical for seedbed preparation and seeding. Also, time of year and weather conditions will play a role in this timing.

(iii) NRCS SEED RECOMMENDATIONS will be used as follows:

Proposed seed mixture subject to change after NRCS review.

<u>Species</u>	<u>Variety</u>	<u>% of Mix</u>	<u>#PLS/A @ 100%</u>
Western wheatgrass	Arriba. Barton	30	16.0
Side oats grama	El Reno, Vaughn	20	9.0
Blue grama	Lovington, Alma	10	3.0
Indian Rice Grass	Paloma	15	12.0
Little Bluestem	Pastura	7	7.0
Green needlegrass	Lodorm	10	10.0

Total 57.0 #@ 100%

Double drilled seeding rate to obtain broadcast seeding rate.

For critical area seeding use the Irrigated rate (IRR).

***This is the Drilled Rate if the seeding is Broadcast the Total Pounds should be Doubled.

No forbs or shrubs are to be planted.

- (iv) The planned method of seed application will be to use a grass drill equipped with depth bands and packer wheels. The seedbed will be clean and firm as possible to allow proper seeding.
- (v) Mulch is recommended for this reclamation plan by the NRCS at a rate of 2000 pounds per Acre and it shall be weed free Straw or Native Hay. It will be broadcast and then crimped to a depth of 1"-2" inches.
- (vi) There no plans to plant any shrubs and/or trees on this site for reclamation.
- (d) This reclamation plan does not call for any ponds, stream to remain after reclamation, however the haul road will remain to be used to access the ranch area that the landowner/operator will use for his ranch.
- (e) No waste rock will be left on-site after mining, no underground mine openings or any other feature that would be detrimental to the intended use as Storage Yard to be used by the landowner/operator.

Noxious weeds are not a problem on this site, however, if noxious weeds do invade this site, a weed control program will be implemented as soon as possible to stop the spread of the noxious weeds. A portion of the reclamation cost will be devoted to this item.

Please see noxious weed control plan contained in this permit application.

Signs & Markers

(1) The operator will post a sign, which will be clearly visible from the access road with the following information addressed:

(a) The name of the operator;

(b) A statement that a reclamation permit for the operation has been issued by the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board; and

(c) the permit number.

(2) The boundaries of the affected area will be marked with monuments, that are clearly visible:

(a) This is a 110 Limited Impact operation; therefore, the permit boundary and the affected boundary are same. The operator/applicant is proposing a bond to cover the site, to allow mining and reclamation to be completed and released at the same time.

(3) The affected land will be monumented for easy delineation.

(2) RECLAMATION COST will be determined when the 110 Limited Impact Permit is issued by the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety.

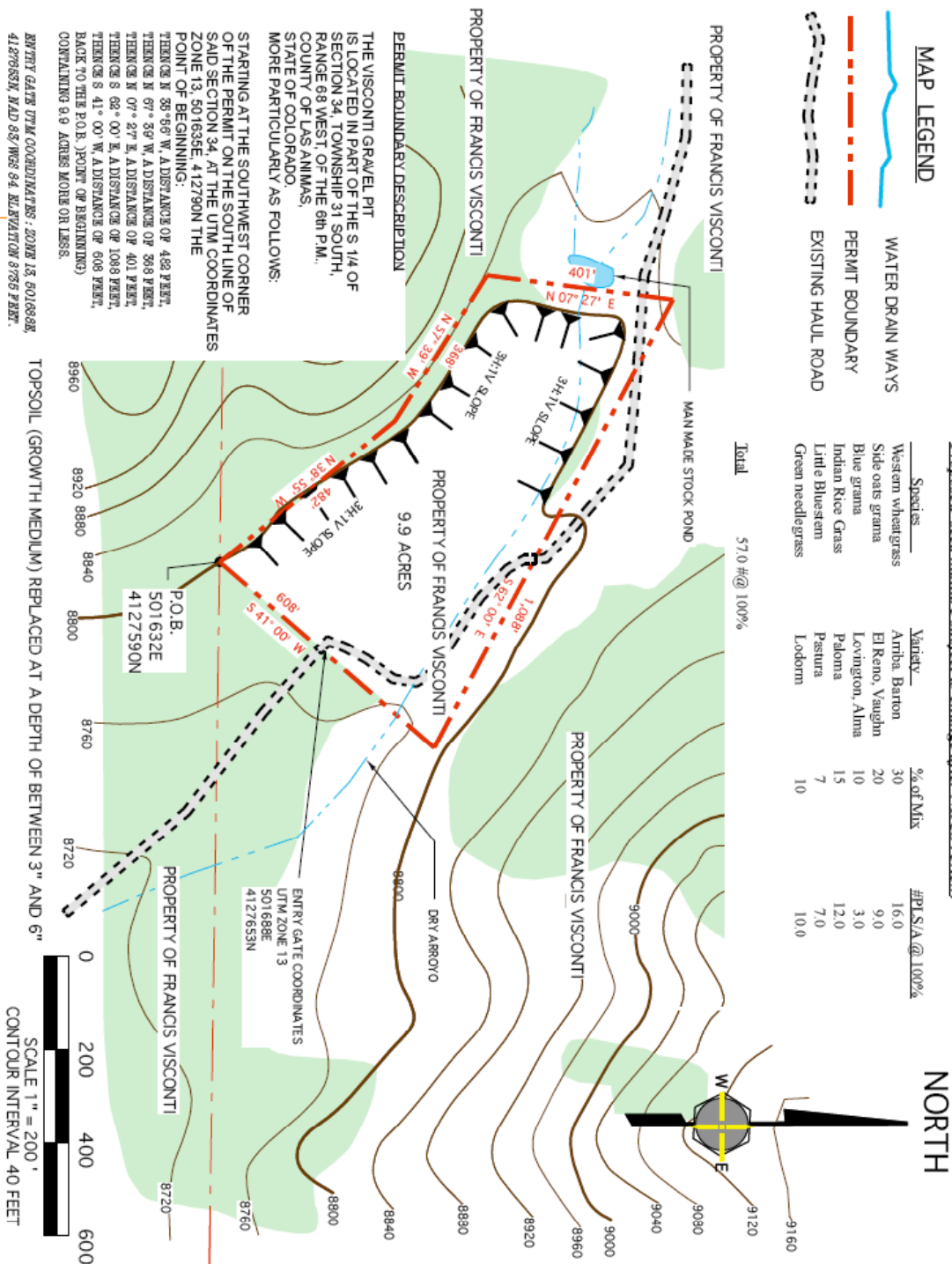
EXHIBIT "E"

Mining Plan and Reclamation Map

WATER DRAIN WAYS
PERMIT BOUNDARY
EXISTING HAUL ROAD

Species	Variety	% of Mix	#P/SLA @ 100%
Western wheatgrass	Amiba, Barron	30	16.0
Side oats grama	El Reno, Vaughn	20	9.0
Blue grama	Longington, Alma	10	3.0
Indian Rice Grass	Paloma	15	12.0
Little Bluestem	Pistura	7	7.0
Green needlegrass	Lodrom	10	10.0

Proposed seed mixture subject to change after NRCS review.



VISCONTI GRAVEL PIT

110c LIMITED IMPACT PERMIT APPLICATION

MLRB PERMIT FILE NUMBER M-____-____

PREPARED BY:

SHEET 1 OF 1

DATE: March 21, 2008

EXHIBIT “F”

List of Other Permits and Licenses Required

- Mined Land Reclamation Board (MLRB) – 110 Mining Permit
- Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment: Air Pollution Control Division– Air Pollutant Emission Notice (APEN)
- Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment: Water Quality Division – Stormwater Discharge Permit and Management Plan
- County Roads access permit (if required)

EXHIBIT “G”

Source of Legal Right-to-Enter

A copy of the lease is below.

A copy of the Deed of is attached to this application in Exhibit “G”.

LEASE AGREEMENT WITH OPTION TO BUY MATERIAL

THIS AGREEMENT is made and entered into on this 12 day of 3 in the year of 2007, by and between the Owner Francis T. Visconti, whose mailing address is 1317 Fairview, Trinidad, CO. 81082 and Todd G. Gatza, whose mailing address is 19503 Constanti Ridge, Weston, CO. 81091.

WITNESS THAT: The Owner for the consideration of ~~ONE HUNDRED dollars (\$100.00)~~ ^{5000.00 FV 12/3/07} and further agreement hereby leases to Todd G. Gatza and or the company/corporation he forms an exclusive option for the purpose of purchasing, processing, producing, and removing such material located on land described as follows in the State of Colorado, as described by the following from the Las Animas County Assessors On-line Records:

33-31-68 E2NENE-E2SENE- E2NESE- 34-31-68 SWNW-SENW-NWSW- NESW- SESW-SWNE-SWSE comprising approximately 340 acres and 03-32-68 LT-3(37.90)-2 (37.07)-SENW-SWNE comprising approximately 155 acres and 02-32-68 PT-SWSW-CONT-2.26ACRS 03-32-68 PT-SESE-SWSE-NWSE-CONT-TOGETHER 8.83 ACRS comprising approximately 11 acres, totaling approximately 526 acres.

*Leases 10 Acres of Above description property - (Not 526 Acres)
Attached 10 Acre permitted, identified on a Hatched map.*

Todd G. Gatza and or the company/corporation he forms desires to purchase any material located on the above-described land. Royalty fees will be paid at the following rate:

^{1.25 FV 12/3/07}
Aggregate products removed at \$(1.00) per ton for the first two years.
Then \$(0.75) per ton for the next five years.

^{1.00 FV 12/3/07}

This Lease Agreement with option to buy materials shall commence on the day of the legal permitting of the gravel pit through the State of Colorado and remain in force for a term of seven years, with the option to renew until the material is mined out.

Todd G. Gatza and or the company/corporation he forms shall have the right of ingress and egress to and from the subject premises and to erect any temporary structures, such as screening, crushing, and/or asphalt or concrete plants; to stockpile material in an area of sufficient size; and to employ any reasonable methods for the removal of said material, including but not limited to the improvement of roads to the gravel pit. Todd G. Gatza and or the company/corporation he forms shall also have the right of ingress and egress for the purposes of reclamation.

Todd G. Gatza and or the company/corporation he forms agree to provide liability insurance and shall be responsible for all of its operations related to mining of the property, including but not limited to permitting of the gravel pit. The Owner will be held harmless for acts of Todd G. Gatza and or the company/corporation he forms and its employees or subcontractors related to operations on the property.

Payment for materials removed from the property will be made to the Owner in a timely fashion, no later than sixty days from removal.

The terms hereof shall be binding upon and insure to the benefit of the heirs, executors, administrators and assigns of the respective parties hereto.

The Owner hereby warrant that they have good title to the above described premises, that they have lawful right to grant this option, and that they agree to hold Todd G. Gatza and or the company/corporation he forms harmless from any and all claims from others asserting any interest in the subject land.

Todd G. Gatza and or the company/corporation he forms have the right to sub-lease the exclusive option for the purpose of purchasing, processing, producing, and removing such material.

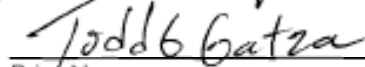
SPECIAL CONDITIONS:

Todd G. Gatza and or the company/corporation he forms shall abide with all provisions of the MLRB pit permit issued for the property.



Todd G. Gatza

Date: 11/02/07

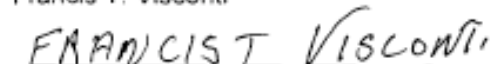


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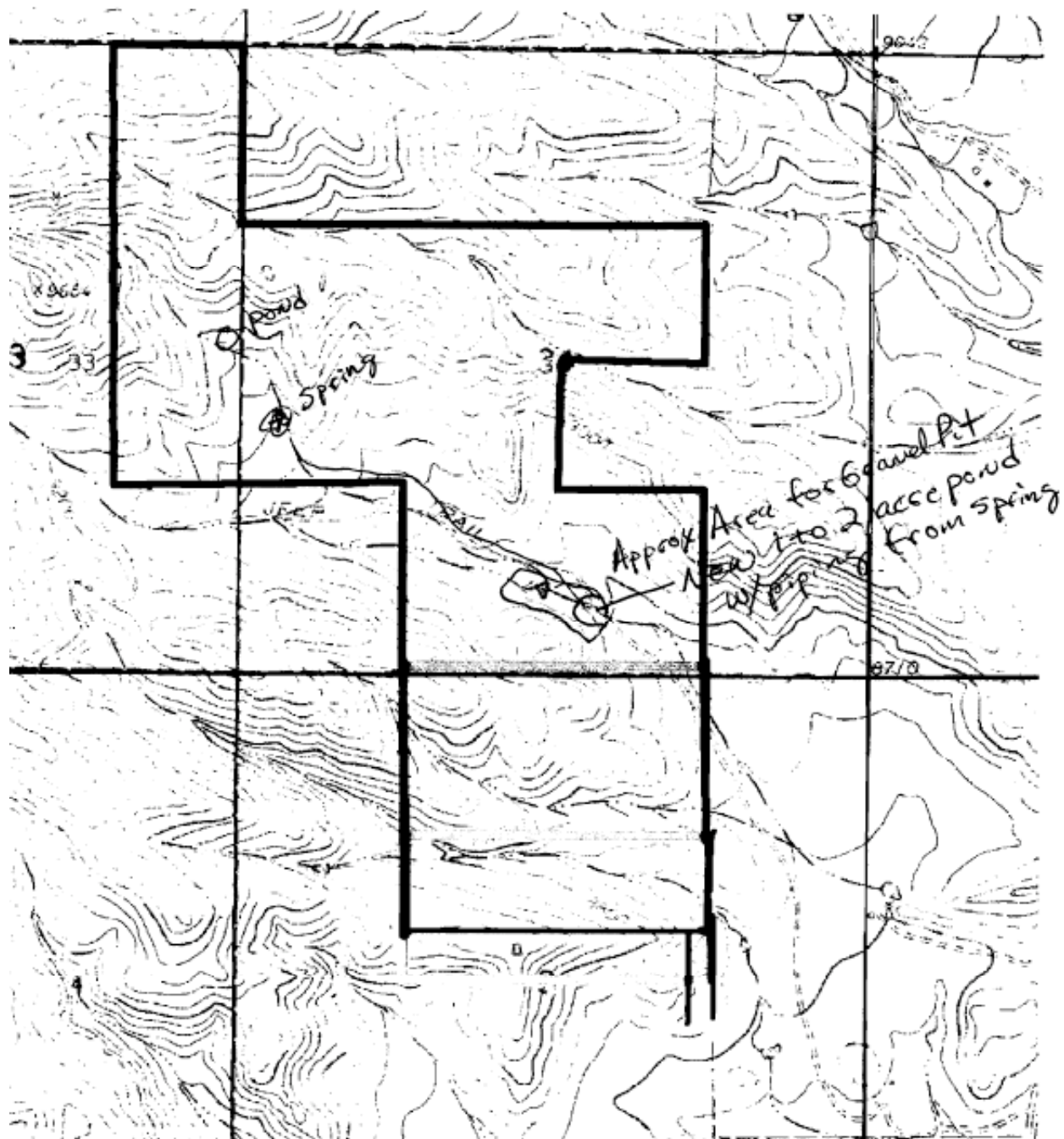
Francis T. Visconti

Date: 12/3/07



Print Name

All ponds, roads, + washouts will first be improved.



Removal of gravel ~~with create~~, pond creation, piping from Spring + meadow creation will create a fire break in the valley along with habitat + aesthetic value.

COPY OF THE DEED

Recorded at 11:45A.M. October 29, 1991
Rec No. 593971 Bernard Gonzales, Recorder

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QUIT CLAIM DEED

THIS DEED, made this 29th day of October, 1991, between Samuel T. Visconti (conveniently referred to as "Grantor"), and Francis T. Visconti, whose address is 1317 Fairview Street, Trinidad, Colorado 81082, (conveniently referred to as "Grantee").

GRANTOR, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby confessed and acknowledged, has remise, released, sold, conveyed and quit claimed, and by these presents does remise, release, sell, convey and quit claim unto the Grantee, Grantee's heirs, successors and assigns, forever, all the right, title, interest, claim and demand which the Grantor has in and to the following described lot or parcel of land situate, lying and being in the County of Las Animas, State of Colorado, to wit:

All of the real property and appurtenances described in a deed recorded at Book 804, Page 554 of the Las Animas County Records, and more particularly described on Exhibit A, attached hereto.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the same, together with all improvements thereon, all easements and rights of way appurtenant thereto, all water and mineral rights owned by Grantor, and all appurtenances and privileges thereunto belonging or in anywise thereunto appertaining, and all the estate, right, title, interest and claim whatsoever, of the Grantor, either in law or equity, to the only proper use, and benefit of the Grantee, Grantee's heirs and assigns forever.


Samuel T. Visconti

STATE OF COLORADO)
) ss.
County of Las Animas)

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 29th day of October, 1991, by Samuel T. Visconti, Grantor.

My Commission Expires: 11-8-91


Notary Public
Exp. 11-8-91

EXHIBIT A

Beginning at a fence corner, the NE corner of the NW⁴ of the SE⁴ of Sec. 3,
T. 32 S., R. 68 W. of the Sixth Principal Meridian;

1. Thence S. 89° 04' W. a distance of 51.5 ft. to a point;
2. " S. 19° 13' W. a " " 137.8 ft. to a point;
3. " S. 15° 20' W. a " " 116 ft. to a point;
4. " S. 49° 24' W. a " " 107.6 ft. to a point;
5. " S. 60° 41' W. a " " 161.2 ft. to a point;
6. " S. 88° 46' W. a " " 175.1 ft. to a point;
7. " S. 58° 55' W. a " " 76 ft. to a point;
8. " S. 40° 32' E. a " " 69.8 ft. to a point;
9. " S. 66° 19' E. a " " 349.2 ft. to a point;
10. " S. 52° 19' E. a " " 456.3 ft. to a point;
11. " S. 0° 50' W. a " " 427.2 ft. to a point;
12. " N. 63° 35' E. a " " 1878 ft. to a point;
13. " S. 16° 40' E. a " " 405 ft. to a point;
14. " N. 80° 33' E. a " " 200 ft. to a point;
15. " N. 2° 37' E. a " " 404.7 ft. to a point;
16. " N. 88° 35' E. a " " 511.6 ft. to a point;
17. " N. 2° 17' E. a " " 50 ft. to a point;
18. " S. 88° 35' W. a " " 2626.6 ft. to a point;
19. " N. 1° 47' W. a " " 1287.5 ft. to the point of beginning.

Contains 11.09 Acres

PLAT

of a survey to locate a tract of land and access road in the
SW⁴ of Section 2, the SE⁴ of Section 3, the SW⁴ SE
of Sec. 3, the NW⁴ SE of Section 3, T. 32 S., R. 68 W. of the
Sixth Principal Meridian in Las Animas County, Colorado.

Scale: 1" = 200'

QUIT CLAIM DEED

THIS DEED, made this 29 day of October, 1991, between Samuel T. Visconti (conveniently referred to as "Grantor"), and Francis T. Visconti, whose address is 1317 Fairview Street, Trinidad, Colorado 81082, (conveniently referred to as "Grantee").

GRANTOR, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby confessed and acknowledged, has remised, released, sold, conveyed and quit claimed, and by these presents does remise, release, sell, convey and quit claim unto the Grantee, Grantee's heirs, successors and assigns, forever, all the right, title, interest, claim and demand which the Grantor has in and to the following described lot or parcel of land situate, lying and being in the County of Las Animas, State of Colorado, to wit:

All of the real property and appurtenances described in a deed recorded at Book 804, Page 554 of the Las Animas County Records, and more particularly described on Exhibit A, attached hereto.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the same, together with all improvements thereon, all easements and rights of way appurtenant thereto, all water and mineral rights owned by Grantor, and all appurtenances and privileges thereunto belonging or in anywise thereunto appertaining, and all the estate, right, title, interest and claim whatsoever, of the Grantor, either in law or equity, to the only proper use, and benefit of the Grantee, Grantee's heirs and assigns forever.


Samuel T. Visconti

STATE OF COLORADO)
) ss.
County of Las Animas)

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 29 day of October, 1991, by Samuel T. Visconti, Grantor.

My Commission Expires: 11-5-91

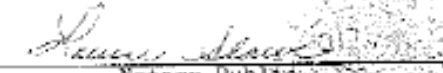

Notary Public
Exp. 11-5-91

EXHIBIT A

Beginning at a fence corner, the NE corner of the NW¹ of the SE¹ of Sec. 3,
T. 32 S., R. 68 W. of the Sixth Principal Meridian;

1.	Thence S. 88° 34' W. a distance of 51.5	Ft. to a point;
2.	" S. 19° 13' W. a "	" 137.6 Ft. to a point;
3.	" S. 15° 20' W. a "	" 118 Ft. to a point;
4.	" S. 49° 24' W. a "	" 107.6 Ft. to a point;
5.	" S. 80° 43' W. a "	" 161.2 Ft. to a point;
6.	" S. 88° 46' W. a "	" 175.1 Ft. to a point;
7.	" S. 89° 58' W. a "	" 76 Ft. to a point;
8.	" S. 4° 32' E. a "	" 89.8 Ft. to a point;
9.	" S. 66° 19' E. a "	" 249.2 Ft. to a point;
10.	" S. 52° 19' E. a "	" 448.9 Ft. to a point;
11.	" S. 0° 50' W. a "	" 427.2 Ft. to a point;
12.	" N. 90° 35' E. a "	" 1879 Ft. to a point;
13.	" S. 16° 40' E. a "	" 405 Ft. to a point;
14.	" N. 88° 35' E. a "	" 200 Ft. to a point;
15.	" N. 2° 37' E. a "	" 404.7 Ft. to a point;
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Contains 11.88 Acres

PLAT

of a survey to locate a trace of land and Access Road in the
SW¹ SW¹ of Section 2, the SE¹ SE¹ of Section 3, the SW¹ SW¹
of Sec. 3, the NW¹ SW¹ of Section 3, T. 32 S., R. 68 W. of the
Sixth Principal Meridian in Las Alamos County, Colorado.

Scale: 1" = 200'

Received at 9:05 P. M. JULY 29, 1968
Reception No. 580635 Bernard J. GONZALEZ

BOOK 860 PAGE 674

QUIT CLAIM DEED

THIS DEED, Made this 27th day of July 1968,
between Samuel A. Visconti also known as
Samuel Alarcon Visconti

of the County of Las Animas and State of
Colorado, grantor(s) and VISCONTI FAMILY
PARTNERSHIP, a Partnership

whose legal address is 1317 Fairview, Trinidad,
Colorado 81082
of the County of Las Animas and State of Colorado, grantee(s).

WITNESSETH, That the grantor(s), for and in consideration of the sum of other valuable
consideration and Ten and no/100 DOLLARS
the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, has granted, released, sold, conveyed and QUIT CLAIMED, and by
these presents do, grant, release, sell, convey and QUIT CLAIM unto the grantee(s) its heirs, successors and assigns,
forever, all the right, title, interest, claim and demand which the grantor(s) has in and to the real property, together with
improvements, if any, situate, lying and being in the County of Las Animas and State of
Colorado, described as follows:

1. Lots 27, 28, 29 and 30 Block 8, Capitol Hill Addition to the
City of Trinidad, Colorado, also known as 1316 East Main Street,
Trinidad, Colorado
2. Lots 24, 25 and 26, Block 8, Capitol Hill Addition to the City
of Trinidad, Colorado
3. The North 70 feet of Lots 1, 2, 3 and 4, Block 12 in Santa Fe
Railroad West Addition to the City of Trinidad, Colorado
4. Lots 17, 18 and 19 in block 11, Capitol Addition to the City of
Trinidad, Colorado
5. Property described in Exhibit "A" attached hereto and
incorporated herein by reference

also known by street and number as:

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the same, together with all and singular the appurtenances and privileges thereunto belonging unto
anywise hereunto appertaining, and all the same, right, title, interest and claim whatsoever, of the grantor(s), either in law or equity, in
the only proper use, benefit and behoof of the grantee(s). heirs and assigns forever.
IN WITNESS WHEREOF, The grantor(s) has executed this deed on the date set forth above.

Samuel A. Visconti
Samuel A. Visconti

STATE OF COLORADO,

County of Pueblo

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 23rd day of July 1968,
by Samuel A. Visconti also known as Samuel Alarcon Visconti

My commission expires 10-7-69. Witness my hand and official seal.



My (to be filled in) "City and"

Bernard J. Gonzalez
Notary Public
Pueblo, Colorado, 81001

Section 4, Township 32 South, Range 68 West of the 6th P.M.
 Lot 4 NW1NW1
 Lot 3 NE1NW1
 SE1NW1
 NE1SW1

Section 5, Township 32 South, Range 68 West of the 6th P.M.
 Lot 1 NE1NE1

Section 32, Township 31 South, Range 68 West of the 6th P.M.
 SE1NE1
 SE1SE1

Section 33, Township 31 South, Range 68 West of the 6th P.M.
 NE1NW1
 SW1NW1
 SE1NW1
 NE1SW1
 SW1SW1
 SE1SW1
 NW1NE1
 SW1NE1
 NW1SE1
 SW1SE1
 NE1NE1
 NW1NE1
 NW1SE1

Containing 700 acres, more or less.

CERTIFICATION OF VITAL RECORD

STATE OF COLORADO

HOLD TO LIGHT TO VIEW WATERMARK
STATE OF COLORADO
CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

200600683792
Filed for Record in
LAS ANIMAS, CO
BERNARD J. GONZALES
01-10-2006 At 11:57 am.
DEATH CERT 6.00
Doc Fees .00
OR Book 1054 Page 1889 - 1889
STATE FIL Instrument Book Page
200600683792 DR 1054 1889

1. DECEASED'S NAME (Print, Middle, Last) Samuel T. VISCONTI		2. SEX M	3. DATE OF BIRTH (Month, Day, Year) September 10, 2002
4. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER 707-01-6465	5a. UNDER 1 YEAR Yes	5b. UNDER 1 YEAR No	6. DATE OF BIRTH (Month, Day, Year) February 18, 1925
7. PLACE OF BIRTH (City and State or Foreign Country) Union City, New Jersey	8. PLACE OF DEATH (City and State or Foreign Country) Trinidad		
9. FACILITY NAME (If not registered, give street and number) Mt. San Rafael Hospital	10. COUNTY OF DEATH Las Animas		
11. OCCUPATION Teacher	12. TYPE OF DEATH High School	13. MARRITAL STATUS (Married, Never Married, Widowed, Divorced, Single) Never Married	14. SPECIALTY (If not, give medical name) N/A
15. RESIDENCE STATE Colorado	16. COUNTY Las Animas	17. CITY, TOWN, OR LOCATION Trinidad	18. STREET AND NUMBER 9091 County Road 43 7/10
19. ZIP CODE 81082	20. RACE (Specify if Hispanic or Latino) White	21. SEX (Specify if Male or Female) Male	22. DECEASED'S EDUCATION (Complete or incomplete) 17+
23. SIGNATURE OF DECEASED (Print, Middle, Last) Samuel Visconti		24. SIGNATURE OF WITNESS (Print, Middle, Last) Mary Godfrey	
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ACR-10 (REV. 1-1-87)

SEP 17 2002

Ronald S. Hyman
RONALD S. HYMAN
STATE REGISTRAR

Do not accept unless prepared on security paper with engraved border displaying the Colorado state seal and signature of the Registrar. PENALTY BY LAW, Section 25-2-118, Colorado Revised Statutes, 1982, if any person alters, uses, attempts to use or furnishes to another for deceptive use any vital statistics record, NOT VALID IF PHOTOCOPIED.



Municipalities Within a Two-mile Radius

No towns are within a 2-mile radius of this pit. The elevation is approximately 8800 feet above sea level.

EXHIBIT “ I ”

PROOF OF FILING with County Clerk and Recorder’s Office

EXHIBIT “ J “

Proof of Mailing Notices of permit Application

**TO BE COMPLETED WHEN APPLICATION IS SUBMITTED TO THE Division of
Reclamation, Mining and Safety.**

EXHIBIT “ L “

Permanent Man-Made Structures

Stock pond on the west side and the ranch road in the permit boundary, which runs both in and out.

ADDENDUM 1- NOTICE REQUIREMENTS

TO BE COMPLETED WHEN APPLICATION IS SUBMITTED TO THE Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety.

RULE 6.5 Geotechnical Stability EXHIBIT

NOT APPLICABLE N/A

NORTH

<u>Species</u>	<u>Variety</u>	<u>% of Mix</u>	<u>#PLS/A @ 100%</u>
Western wheatgrass	Arriba, Barton	25	8.0
Side oats grama	Butte, Vaughn	25	4.5
Blue grama	Lovington, Alma	25	1.5
Big Bluestem	Bison, Champ. Kaw	25	5.5
			=====
			19.5 <u>Total lbs @ 100%</u>



VISCONTI GRAVEL PIT

MLRB PERMIT FILE NUMBER M-2008-040

CLIENT: RockMasters, Inc.

CONSULTANT: L J DEVELOPMENT, INC.

EXHIBIT " E" RECLAMATION MAPS	REVISED 07/15/08	SHEET 1 OF 1	DATE: March 21, 2008
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