

Durango Field Office Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety

Response to Reclamation Permit Application Consideration

DATE:	July 5, 2013
TO:	Kate A. Pickford, Environmental Protection Specialist
CC:	Division 7 Office; District 71 Water Commissioner
FROM:	Melissa Peterson, P.E.
RE:	Hay Camp Pit, File No. M-1990-025 Operator: McStone Aggregates Contact: Section 18, Twp 37N, Rng 14W, N.M.P.M., Montezuma County
CONDITIONS FOR APPROVAL	
	The proposed operation does not anticipate exposing groundwater. Therefore, exposure of ground water must not occur during or after mining operations. If stormwater is contained on-site, it must infiltrate into the ground or be released to the natural stream system within 72 hours, or all work must cease until a substitute water supply plan, or augmentation plan approved by water court, is obtained. Reclamation plans must ensure water will not be retained onsite for more than 72 hours unless an augmentation plan approved by water court is obtained.
	The proposed operation will consume ground water by: evaporation, dust control, vater removed in the mined product, processing, other:. Prior to initiation of these uses of ground water, the applicant will need to obtain either a gravel pit or other type of well permit, as applicable. However, prior to obtaining a permit, an approved water supply plan or decreed plan for augmentation is required.
	Prior to approving a well permit, the applicant must conduct a field inspection of the site and document the locations of all wells within 600 feet of the permit area. The applicant must then obtain a waiver of objection from all well owners with wells within 600 feet of the permit area or request a hearing before the State Engineer.
X	Other: This is a partial release request. Water used for reseeding must be from a legal source.

COMMENTS: