

# STATE OF COLORADO

## DIVISION OF RECLAMATION, MINING AND SAFETY

Department of Natural Resources

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September 3, 2013

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FROM: Stephanie Mitchell, Environmental Protection Specialist

RE: Marathon Oil Company , Circle Dot Quarry, Notice of Request for Temporary Cessation Status.

This letter is to inform Counties and Municipalities within two miles of a mining operation of the intent of Marathon Oil Company to put the above referenced mining operations into a state of temporary cessation (TC). This letter is sent pursuant to the requirement of Rule 1.13.6 (1) of the Rules and Regulations of the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board.

Please be advised that on August 30, 2013 Marathon Oil Company whose address is 743 Horizon Court, Suite 220, Grand Junction, Colorado 81506 filed a Notice of Temporary Cessation with the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety for the permitted Circle Dot Quarry. The mining operation is located Township 6 S, Range 97 W, and in Section 1 ten miles northwest of Parachute in Garfield County.

The first period of temporary cessation will commence on October 17, 2013 and will last up to five years from that date until October 17, 2018. The notice submitted to the Division contains information pertaining to the reasons for cessation of the mining operation, a plan for resumption, and the measures taken to comply with reclamation and other necessary activities related to the performance standards of Rule 3 of the Rules and Regulations in order to maintain the gravel pit in a non-producing or non-development state.

The Notice of Temporary Cessation will be placed on the monthly agenda of the October 16~17, 2013 meeting of the Mined Land Reclamation Board. During that meeting, the Board may consider acceptance of the notice so long as there are no issues with performance or reclamation standards via inspection, file review, and no concerns are expressed by interested persons who would be adversely affected or aggrieved.

Please submit written comments regarding the matter to the Division by no later than 5:00 PM, October 14, 2013.

If you need additional information please contact me at the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, Grand Junction Field Office, 101 S. 3rd St., Suite 301, Grand Junction, Colorado 81501, by telephone at 970.242.5025, or by e-mail at [stephanie.mitchell@state.co.us](mailto:stephanie.mitchell@state.co.us).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "smitchee".

Stephanie Mitchell

Environmental Protection Specialist

Attachments: Notice of Temporary Cessation, Marathon Oil Company, 8/30/13

Cc: Marathon Oil Company  
Russ Means, DRMS