

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY ALBUQUERQUE DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS SOUTHERN COLORADO REGULATORY OFFICE 200 S. SANTA FE AVENUE, SUITE 301 PUEBLO, COLORADO 81003

August 8, 2013



Regulatory Division

REPLY TO ATTENTION OF

SUBJECT: Nationwide Permit Verification – Action No. SPA-2005-00131-SCO, Southern Delivery System Pueblo Dam Connection 1B (PDC1B) Combined Blowoff Outfall

Allison Mosser Colorado Springs Utilities Post Office Box 1103 MC940 Colorado Springs, CO 80902

Ms. Mosser:

I am writing this letter in response to your pre-construction notification for the proposed Southern Delivery System Pueblo Dam Connection 1B (PDC1B) Combined Blowoff Outfall located at approximately latitude 38.469, longitude -104.690, in Pueblo County, Colorado. The work, as described in your letter, will involve construction of a combined blowoff outfall structure to discharge stormwater from a stormwater pond and blowoff water originating from the future Juniper Pump Station discharge valve vault through a 24-inch diameter reinforced concrete pipe to an irrigation channel located adjacent to north of the Arkansas River. Please reference Action No. SPA-2005-00131-SCO in all future correspondence concerning the project.

Based on the information provided, we have determined that the project is authorized by Nationwide Permit No. 12 for Utility Line Activities. A summary of this permit and the Colorado Regional Conditions are available on our website at <u>www.spa.usace.army.mil/reg/nwp</u>. Please refer to our website at <u>www.spa.usace.army.mil/reg/wqc</u> for specific information regarding compliance with state water quality certification requirements. The permittee must ensure that the work complies with the terms and conditions of the permit, including Colorado Regional Conditions and conditions of water quality certification.

Our review of this project also addressed its effects on threatened and endangered species and historic properties in accordance with general conditions 18 and 20. Based on the information provided, we have determined that this project will not affect any federally listed threatened or endangered species or any historic properties listed, or eligible for listing, in the National Register of Historic Places. However, please note that the permittee is responsible for meeting the requirements of general condition 18 on endangered species and general condition 20 on historic properties. This letter does not constitute approval of the project design features, nor does it imply that the construction is adequate for its intended purpose. This permit does not authorize any injury to property or invasion of rights or any infringement of federal, state or local laws or regulations. The permittee and/or any contractors acting on behalf of the permittee must possess the authority and any other approvals required by law, including property rights, in order to undertake the proposed work.

This permit verification is valid until March 18, 2017 (33 CFR 330.6), unless the nationwide permit is modified, suspended, revoked or reissued prior to that date. Continued confirmation that an activity complies with the terms and conditions, and any changes to the nationwide permit, is the responsibility of the permittee. Activities that have commenced, or are under contract to commence, in reliance on a nationwide permit will remain authorized provided the activity is completed within 12 months of the date of the nationwide permits expiration, modification, or revocation.

Within 30 days of project completion, the permittee must fill out the enclosed Certification of Compliance form and return it to our office. The landowner must allow Corps representatives to inspect the authorized activity at any time deemed necessary to ensure that it is being, or has been, accomplished in accordance with the terms and conditions of the nationwide permit.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (719) 543-6914 or by e-mail at <u>joshua.g.carpenter@usace.army.mil</u>. At your convenience, please complete a Customer Service Survey available online at <u>http://per2.nwp.usace.army.mil/survey.html</u>.

Sincerely,

Joshua G. Carpenter Senior Project Manager

Enclosure

Certification of Compliance with Department of the Army Nationwide Permit

Action Number:	SPA-2005-00131-SCO
Name of Permittee:	Colorado Springs Utilities
Nationwide Permit:	NWP 12 – Utility Line Activities

Upon completion of the activity authorized by this permit and any mitigation required by the permit, sign this certification and return it to the following address:

Van Truan Albuquerque District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Southern Colorado Regulatory Office 200 S. Santa Fe Avenue, Suite 301 Pueblo, Colorado 81003

Please note that your permitted activity is subject to a compliance inspection by an U.S. Army Corps of Engineers representative. If you fail to comply with this permit, you are subject to permit suspension, modification, or revocation.

Please enclose photographs showing the completed project (if available).

I hereby certify that the work authorized by the above referenced permit has been completed in accordance with the terms and conditions of the said permit, and required mitigation was completed in accordance with the permit conditions.

Date Work Started

Date Work Completed

Signature of Permittee