



State Parks SME Acceptance Email

From: Thompson - DNR, Jeff [mailto:jeff.thompson@state.co.us]
Sent: Thursday, July 02, 2015 11:29 AM
To: Allison Mosser; Monique Mullis - DNR
Subject: Re: SDS South 1 revegetation evaluation

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Please let me know if I can answer any questions for you.

Thanks,
Jeff

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On Mon, Jun 15, 2015 at 10:42 AM, Allison Mosser <amosser@csu.org> wrote:
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Please let me know if you have questions or comments regarding this email and the understanding of our reveg close-out I have indicated herein.

Kind regards,
Allison

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Lake Pueblo State Park Manager Acceptance Email

From: Mullis - DNR, Monique [mailto:monique.mullis@state.co.us]
Sent: Monday, July 06, 2015 2:41 PM
To: Allison Mosser
Cc: Thompson - DNR, Jeff; Mark Pifher
Subject: Re: SDS South 1 revegetation evaluation

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Hi Allison,

I forwarded Jeff's findings to Steven Meier with Pueblo City Parks and Rec, but he is out of the office until July 9th. I can't speak for the City or BOR, but I am satisfied with the re-veg efforts on the CPW areas. I realize there are still efforts for noxious weed control, but you can remove the hardware on CPW land anytime.

Please let me know what other paperwork needs to be done to close-out this portion of SDS. YIPPEE!!

Thanks.

Monique Mullis
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On Mon, Jul 6, 2015 at 8:53 AM, Allison Mosser <amosser@csu.org> wrote:

Hello Jeff,

Thank you for your follow up. We will refer to your email below regarding acceptance of the coverage areas. I would like to clarify that this includes the areas for the City of Pueblo easement as well as the Park area at the dam? The associated jurisdictions have deferred to you for acceptance of the vegetation success, and I will follow up with them as well.

Also, as I believe you are aware, we are required to monitor and mitigate for noxious weeds for three years post construction. These areas still have some time for coverage under this condition, so we will be out there again before we close our oversight of the easements.

I will wait to hear from Monique regarding removal of the hardware.

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U.S. Bureau of Reclamation Acceptance Email

From: Thiel, Karl [mailto:kthiel@usbr.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, July 15, 2015 12:50 PM
To: Gayle Sturdivant; Allison Mosser
Cc: Tara Piper; Terence Stroh; Roy Vaughan
Subject: SDS South 1 Pipeline Re-Vegetation

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The work to date on the re-vegetation of the lands associated with Southern Delivery System South 1 Pipeline has been reviewed by Reclamation staff and found to be adequate. This matter will be closed.

City of Pueblo Acceptance Email

From: Steven Meier <smeier@pueblo.us>
Date: July 24, 2015 at 4:48:24 PM MDT
To: Alec Hart <alhart@csu.org>
Cc: Scott Hobson <shobson@pueblo.us>
Subject: RE: SDS Revegetation

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Alec,

Yes, I finally got out there and was able to inspect the vegetation on SDS line. I am satisfied with how the grasses and forbs have covered the project area. I did notice that there are some areas that have a significant stand of weeds, but when compared to the overall size of the project those weedy areas are minimal.

With that said, I accept the current stand of vegetation. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Steven Meier, Director
City of Pueblo
Parks & Recreation; and
Planning & Community Development
719-553-2259

-----Original Message-----

From: Alec Hart [<mailto:alhart@csu.org>]
Sent: Friday, July 24, 2015 10:39 AM
To: Steven Meier
Subject: SDS Revegetation

Hello Steven;

Were you able to get out this week to have a look at the revegetation on the City portion of S1? With BOR and State Parks evaluations complete, we're just waiting for your written concurrence before having our contractor remove fences and irrigation lines.

Thanks Steve, have a great weekend.

Alec

Sent from my iPhone

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