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Annual Compliance Report (“ACR”) Instructions **Mining Annual Compliance Report (“ACR”)**

As the SAMRA Lead Agency, the County must establish and maintain policies and procedures for monitoring surface mining and reclamation. The ACR was established for the operator to demonstrate compliance with the applicable laws, statutes, and regulations. The operator (“operator”) must prepare and submit a report to the Planning Division—SMARA Program Coordinator demonstrating compliance with all SMARA requirements, State Mining and Geology Board Reclamation Regulations (CCR, Title 14, Division 2, Chapter 8, Subchapter 1), approved Reclamation Plan and the conditions of the Conditional Use Permit. The ACR should be prepared by a qualified, licensed (when applicable) professional.

As a part of the County SMARA Program, the ACR must include compliance with both mining and reclamation requirements, pursuant to the SMGB Regulations §3503 and the mining sites approved Reclamation Plan. **In addition to demonstrating how each condition of approval, mitigation measure and/or reclamation procedure is being met,** the ACR must include the following information:

- a) The mined area's proximity to the permit boundaries by topography and details overlaid on approved mining/reclamation plan;
- b) The annual and total change in topography generated by the mining excavation by cross sections and topographic maps (i.e., a comparison of the original/previous contours and cross sections with current cross sections and contours). If this information was included in your FACE, please reference those figures;
- c) The current maximum depth of excavation. If there are several pits within the site, please include the maximum depth of each area.
- d) The quantity in cubic yards and tons mined during the previous year, as reported in your MRRC-2 form;
- e) Certification that the excavations are within the limits of the mining and permit boundary.

- f) Data indicating the area reclaimed for the year concluding (previous mining year) and for the total amount reclaimed to date, with a certification that reclamation is complete in these areas. Include areas (acres) where reclamation is in progress;
- g) A Certified Engineering Geologist or Geotechnical Engineer shall inspect all excavated slopes within the surface mining area at least once per year for slope stability. The results of this inspection and any recommendations for slope remediation shall be included with the annual report; and,
- h) The operator shall report the discovery of any fossil vertebrate animal remains in the annual report. Upon discovery of such fossil remains, the operator shall cause a paleontologist to be retained for the project to immediately evaluate the fossils to determine their significance and develop a collection and study plan, if necessary.

The ACR will satisfy the “Annual Status Report” or “Annual SMARA Report” conditions of approval. If you have any questions regarding the ACR, please contact the Planning Division SMARA Program Coordinator, Ebony J. McGee at 805-654-5037 or by e-mail at ebony.mcgee@ventura.org.