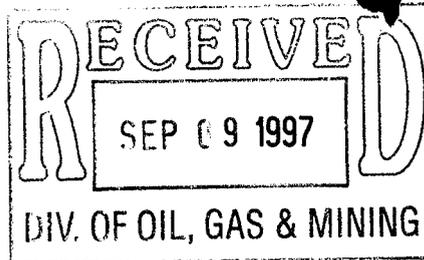


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Dear Bob,

Laboratory Data for soil samples TP-4, 5, 42, 43, and 44 have been submitted to the Carbon County Extension Service for evaluation to determine fertilizer requirements to be added to the soil during seeding in 1997. The area will be fertilized as required and mulched (Section 3.5.5.3). Seeding will then commence using a combination of the UDOGM approved seed mixes, transplants and containerized stock available for the 1997 planting season. Erosion control matting will be used where the slope grades are 2 1/2H:1V or steeper.

Due to the change in ownership and permitting concerns the seed and seedlings were not ordered in advance. The previous owners had a different plan for the surface disturbance and were not planning on seeding the area this year. Horizon recognizes the need to accomplish the seeding, but will have to utilize what approved seed is available. I have had conversations with the state nursery concerning seedlings and with several seed companies concerning seed. A listing of the seeds and seedlings will be submitted to UDOGM once we determine what materials are available.

The areas to be seeded in 1997 will include those outlined on the attached map. Topsoil/growth medium has been placed on these areas from soils salvaged during site construction. Hidden Splendor Resources has placed topsoil/growth medium on areas of their property from the soils salvaged from the realignment of the county road in Jewkes Canyon. The lands within the disturbed area are leased from Hidden Splendor Resources. Hidden Splendor authorized a contractor to place topsoil on areas both inside and outside the disturbed area to cover pre-existing damage done by mining.

The topsoil/growth medium was placed in depths ranging from 10 - 12 inches.

Should you require any additional information please contact me at (801) 561-1555.

Sincerely yours,

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