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RE: G-P Gypsum Corporation
San Rafael Quarry Plan Amendment
UTU-696850
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Dear Mr. Gallegos:

The purpose of this letter is to provide additional information concerning the proposed mining plan revision requested in the June 4, 1997 letter to the Moab District Office of the Bureau of Land Management.

1. Mining of the new areas will not require an equipment storage area since the existing area used for that purpose is nearby. The maximum length of haul road required will be approximately 800 feet (0.4 acre). Approximately 1.5 acres of the existing disturbed area consists of access roads and equipment storage areas.

2. Mining of the area delineated as "Area B" could extend (although unlikely) through an existing dry wash and farther on to a small road. The wash is small and shallow and mining through it is not expected to result in any significant effect on the surface drainage in the area. Similarly, the small road, if approached will be re-routed so that passing access is maintained without the need to disturd land beyond that proposed.

3. Mining of of the areas is not expected to result in a significant increase in the current estimated cost of reclamation since the gypsum deposit is relatively uniform in depth and cover and the contour of the surface (level) indicates very little folding of the underlying deposit.

4. Attached to this letter is a copy of the previously submitted aerial photograph that shows the extent of the existing disturbed area. Although it was taken in 1995, the current disturbed area is approximately the same.

If you have any questions, or require additional information, I can be reached at 702-643-8100.

Sincerely,

Russell Harms

cc: D. Knepfler - BLM Moab

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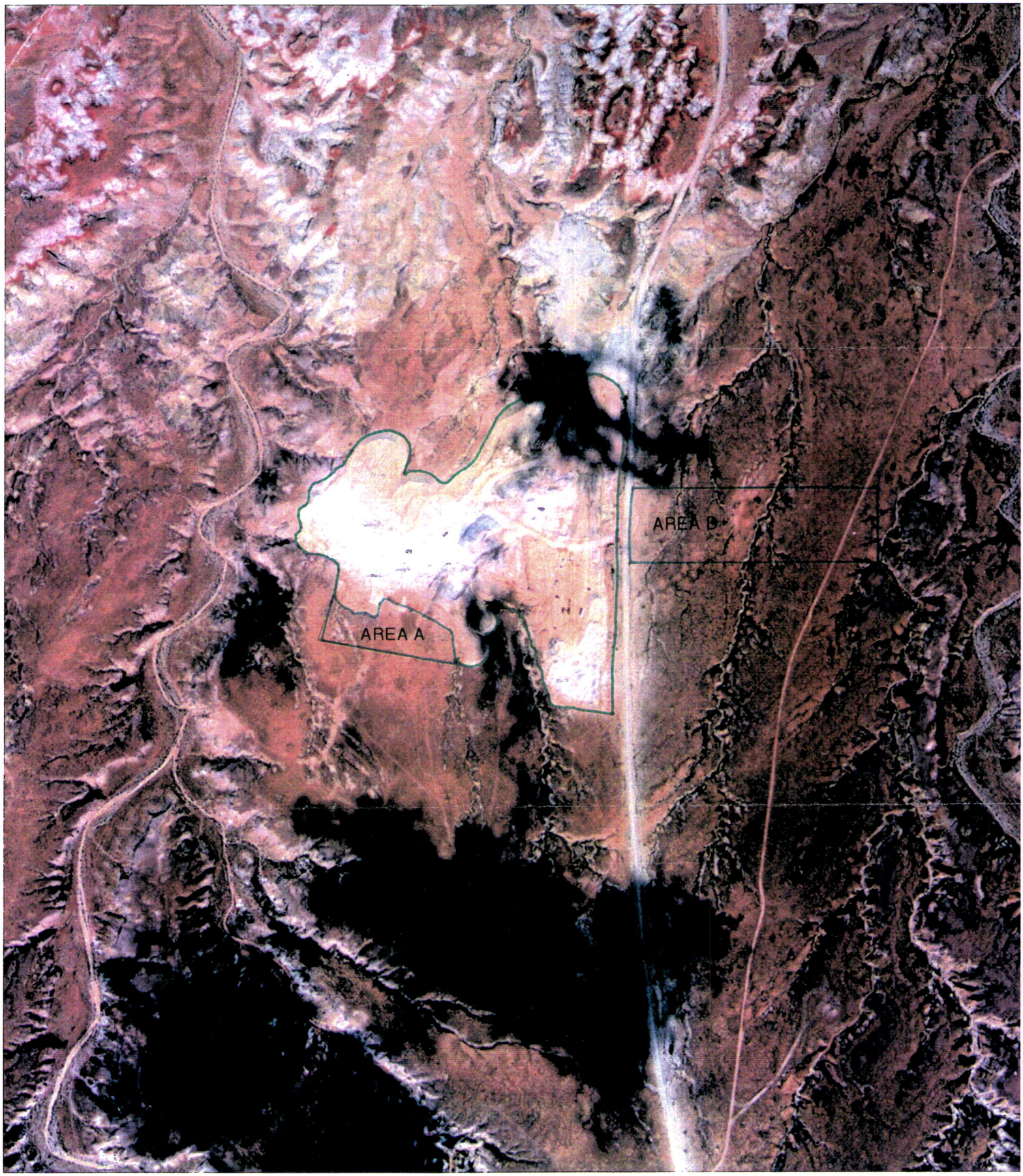

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