



# COLORADO

## Department of Transportation

Region 2 Permits

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I-25 South (Exit 64)  
Huerfano County

**Sky Tallman**, Land Use Director  
Huerfano County Land Use  
401 Main Street, Suite 304  
Walsenburg, CO 81089

RE: Lascar Pit / Siete, Inc. - Conditional Use Permit 23-06

Dear Sky,

I am in receipt of a referral request for planning referral comments for Conditional Use Permit 23-06 for Lascar Pit / Siete, Inc. The proposed operation will extract sand and gravel with on-site processing. The site consists of ±640 acres; of the ±640 acres, approximately 30 acres will be mined during the first phase. The remaining ±610 acres will be utilized once all mining has been completed on the first 30-acre area. The mining operation is 13 miles north of Walsenburg on County Road 650, east of I-25 in Huerfano County. After review of all documentation, we have the following comments:

### Traffic

The submitted documents have been reviewed by a CDOT Traffic Engineer. Their comments follow:

- There are approximately 200 vehicles per day at the I-25 and County Road 650 on-ramps. The letter of intent indicates an estimate of 15 trucks per hour; without knowing the specifics of the actual haul trucks being used, this can either equate to 2 times or 3 times the number of trucks into Passenger Car Equivalent (PCE) = 30 to 45 pce/hr.
- A Traffic Memo is required to be submitted to CDOT for review that follows the State Highway Access Code (SHAC) guidelines. Ensure the following is included/addressed in the memo:
  - Type of trucks anticipated being used, converted to PCE as per ITE guidelines.
  - Any additional trip generators (i.e. mechanics, site workers, etc).
- **Please submit a Traffic Memo to CDOT for review and comment.**

### Access

The proposed development will impact CDOT infrastructure. Our comments follow:

- Section 1.4(1) of the State Highway Access Code, states in part that no person, shall construct any access providing direct vehicular movement to or from any state highway from or to property in close proximity or abutting a state highway without an access permit issued by the designated issuing authority with the written approval of the Department.
- Under Section 2.6 (Change in Land Use and Access Use) of the State Highway Access Code, states the requirements of a new access permit. It states in part that if any significant changes are made or will be made in the use of the property which will affect access operation, traffic volume increases by 20% and or vehicle type, the permittee or property owner will coordinate with the local authority and the Department to determine if a new



access permit and/or modifications to the access are required. Roadway improvements are anticipated for Powers Boulevard and Mesa Ridge Parkway.

- A CDOT Access Permit will be required for this development to document the traffic generated at County Road 650 and I-25.

Additionally,

- On-premise and off-premise signing shall comply with the current Colorado Outdoor Advertising Act, sections 43-1-401 to 421, C.R.S., and all rules and regulations pertaining to outdoor advertising. Please contact Mr. Todd Ausbun at (719) 696-1403 for any questions regarding advertising devices.
- Any utility work within the state highway right of way will require a utility permit from CDOT. Information for obtaining a utility permit can also be obtained by contacting Mr. Ausbun.

Please contact me in Pueblo at (719) 546-5440 or by email [teresa.guagliardo@state.co.us](mailto:teresa.guagliardo@state.co.us) with any questions.

Sincerely,

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CDOT R2 Access Management Trainee

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