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Dear Mr. Hamric:

Montana Air Quality Permit #4929-00 is deemed final as of August 1, 2013, by the Department of Environmental Quality (Department). This permit is for a portable hot-mix asphalt plant and associated equipment. All conditions of the Department's Decision remain the same. Enclosed is a copy of your permit with the final date indicated.

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A Montana Air Quality Permit (MAQP), with conditions, is hereby granted to River Basin Contracting (River Basin) pursuant to Sections 75-2-204 and 211 of the Montana Code Annotated (MCA), as amended, and the Administrative Rules of Montana (ARM) 17.8.740, *et seq.*, as amended, for the following:

SECTION I: Permitted Facilities

A. Permitted Equipment

River Basin proposes to install and operate a portable drum mix-asphalt plant and associated equipment with a 600 ton per hour (TPH) maximum production capacity. A complete list of permitted equipment is contained in Section I.A of the permit analysis.

B. Plant Location

The River Basin hot-mix asphalt plant will initially be located within Section 11, Township 24 North, Range 59 East in Richland County, Montana. However, MAQP #4929-00 applies while operating at any location in Montana, except those areas having a Department of Environmental Quality (Department) approved permitting program, areas considered tribal lands, or areas in or within 10 kilometers (km) of certain particulate matter with an aerodynamic diameter of ten microns or less (PM₁₀) nonattainment areas. *A Missoula County air quality permit will be required for locations within Missoula County, Montana.* An addendum will be required for locations in or within 10 km of certain PM₁₀ nonattainment areas.

SECTION II: Conditions and Limitations

A. Emission Limitations

1. River Basin shall install, operate, and maintain a baghouse for control of particulate matter from the asphalt drum mix drier exhaust stack. A device to measure the pressure drop (magnehelic gauge, manometer, etc.) on the control device (baghouse) must be installed and maintained. Pressure drop must be measured in inches of water. Temperature indicators at the control device inlet and outlet must be installed and maintained (ARM 17.8.752).
2. Asphalt plant particulate matter emissions shall be limited to 0.04 grains per dry standard cubic feet (gr/dscf) (ARM 17.8.752; ARM 17.8.340 and 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) 60, Subpart I).
3. River Basin shall not cause or authorize to be discharged into the atmosphere from the asphalt plant stack emissions that exhibit 20% opacity or greater averaged over 6 consecutive minutes (ARM 17.8.304; ARM 17.8.340 and 40 CFR 60, Subpart I).

4. River Basin shall not cause or authorize to be discharged into the atmosphere from systems for screening, handling, storing, and weighing hot aggregate; systems for mixing hot mix asphalt; and the loading, transfer, and storage systems associated with emission control systems, any visible emissions that exhibit opacity of 20% or greater averaged over 6 consecutive minutes (ARM 17.8.308).
5. River Basin shall not cause or authorize the use of any street, road, or parking lot without taking reasonable precautions to control emissions of airborne particulate matter (ARM 17.8.308).
6. River Basin shall treat all unpaved portions of the haul roads, access roads, and the general plant area with water and/or chemical dust suppressant as necessary to maintain compliance with the reasonable precautions limitation in Section II.A.4 (ARM 17.8.749).
7. River Basin shall be limited to a maximum of 1,120,000 tons of asphalt production during any rolling 12-month period (ARM 17.8.1204).
8. Operation of the hot-mix asphalt plant, shall not exceed 1,700 hours during any rolling 12-month time period (ARM 17.8.1204).
9. The asphalt hot-mix drum dryer is authorized to fire recycled waste oil, No. 2 and No. 6 fuel oil, propane, or natural gas as fuel (ARM 17.8.749).
10. River Basin shall only use diesel, propane, or natural gas as fuel to fire the asphalt oil heater (ARM 17.8.749 and ARM 17.8.749).
11. The asphalt production rate shall be limited to the average production rate during the last source test demonstrating compliance (ARM 17.8.749).
12. River Basin may have on site and operate not more than two (2) diesel-fired generator sets at any given time. The following conditions shall apply (ARM 17.8.1204);
 - a) The maximum design capacity of the diesel engine driving the primary generator set shall not exceed 2,000 brake-horsepower (bhp). Operation of the primary diesel-fired generator set shall not exceed 1,700 hours during any rolling 12-month time period.
 - b) The maximum rate design capacity of the diesel engine driving the secondary generator set shall not exceed 75 brake-horsepower (bhp).
13. River Basin shall comply with all applicable standards and limitations, and the reporting, recordkeeping, testing, and notification requirements contained in 40 CFR 60, Subpart I, *Standards of Performance for Hot Mix Asphalt Facilities* (ARM 17.8.340 and 40 CFR 60, Subpart I).
14. River Basin shall comply with all applicable standards and limitations, and the reporting, recordkeeping, testing, and notification requirements contained in 40 CFR 60, Subpart III, *Standards of Performance for Stationary Compression Ignition Internal Combustion Engines* and 40 CFR 63, Subpart ZZZZ, *National Emissions Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Stationary Reciprocating Internal Combustion Engines*, for any applicable diesel engine (ARM 17.8.340; 40 CFR 60, Subpart III; ARM 17.8.342 and 40 CFR 63, Subpart ZZZZ).

15. If the permitted equipment is used in conjunction with any other equipment owned or operated by River Basin, at the same site, production shall be limited to correspond with an emission level that does not exceed 250 tons of emissions during any rolling 12-month time period. Any calculations used to establish production levels shall be approved by the Department (ARM 17.8.749).

B. Testing Requirements

1. Within 60 days after achieving maximum production, but no later than 180 days after initial start-up, an Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Methods 1-5 source test shall be performed on the asphalt drum mix drier exhaust stack to demonstrate compliance with Section II.A.2. An EPA Method 9 opacity test shall be performed in conjunction with all particulate tests to demonstrate compliance with the conditions specified in Section II.A.3. Testing shall continue on an every 4-year basis or according to another testing/monitoring schedule as may be approved by the Department (ARM 17.8.105, ARM 17.8.340, ARM 17.8.749, and 40 CFR 60 Subpart I).
2. Since asphalt production will be limited to the average production rate during the compliance source test, it is suggested that the test be performed at the highest practical production rate (ARM 17.8.749).
3. Temperature and pressure drop across the drier baghouse, and pressure drop across the lime silo baghouse, must be recorded daily and kept on site according to Section II.C.2 (ARM 17.8.749).
4. Temperature and pressure drop across the drier baghouse must be recorded during the compliance source test and reported as part of the test results (ARM 17.8.749).
5. River Basin may retest at any time in order to test at a higher production rate (ARM 17.8.749).
6. All compliance source tests shall conform to the requirements of the Montana Source Test Protocol and Procedures Manual (ARM 17.8.106).

C. Reporting Requirements

1. If this plant is moved to another location, an Intent to Transfer form must be sent to the Department and a Public Notice Form for Change of Location must be published in a newspaper of general circulation in the area to which the transfer is to be made, at least 15 days prior to the move. The proof of publication (affidavit) of the Public Notice Form for Change of Location must be submitted to the Department prior to the move. These forms are available from the Department. The facility shall not operate in the new location for more than one year (ARM 17.8.749 and ARM 17.8.765).
2. River Basin shall maintain on-site records showing daily hours of operation, daily production rates, and daily pressure drop and temperature readings from the baghouses for the last 12 months. The records compiled in accordance with this permit shall be maintained by River Basin as a permanent business record for at least 5 years following the date of the measurement, shall be submitted to the Department upon request, and shall be available at the plant for inspection by the Department (ARM 17.8.749).
3. River Basin shall supply the Department with annual production information for all emission points, as required by the Department in the annual emission inventory request. The request will include, but not be limited to, all sources of emissions identified in the emission inventory contained in the permit analysis.

Production information shall be gathered on a calendar-year basis and submitted to the Department by the date required in the emission inventory request. Information shall be in the units required by the Department. This information may be used for calculating operating fees, and/or to verify compliance with permit limitations (ARM 17.8.505).

4. River Basin shall notify the Department of any construction or improvement project conducted, pursuant to ARM 17.8.745, that would include *the addition of a new emissions unit*, change in control equipment, stack height, stack diameter, stack flow, stack gas temperature, source location, or fuel specifications, or would result in an increase in source capacity above its permitted operation. The notice must be submitted to the Department, in writing, 10 days prior to startup or use of the proposed de minimis change, or as soon as reasonably practicable in the event of an unanticipated circumstance causing the de minimis change, and must include the information requested in ARM 17.8.745(l)(d) (ARM 17.8.745).
5. River Basin shall document, by month, total asphalt production from the asphalt plant. By the 25th day of each month, River Basin shall total the asphalt production for the previous month. The monthly information will be used to verify compliance with the rolling 12-month limitation in Section II.A.7. The information for each of the previous months shall be submitted along with the annual emission inventory (ARM 17.8.749).
6. River Basin shall document, by month, the hours of operation of the asphalt plant and the generator set(s). By the 25th day of each month, River Basin shall total the hours of operation for each equipment for the previous month. The monthly information will be used to verify compliance with the rolling 12-month limitations in Sections II.A.8 and II.A.12(a). The information for each of the previous months shall be submitted along with the annual emission inventory (ARM 17.8.749).
7. River Basin shall annually certify that its emissions are less than those that would require the facility to obtain an air quality operating permit as required by ARM 17.8.1204(3)(b). The annual certification shall comply with the certification requirements of ARM 17.8.1207. The annual certification shall be submitted along with the annual emissions inventory information (ARM 17.8.749 and ARM 17.8.1204).

D. Notification

1. Within 30 days of commencement of construction of any New Source Performance Standard (NSPS)-affected equipment, River Basin shall notify the Department of the date of commencement of construction of the affected equipment (ARM 17.8.340 and 40 CFR 60, Subpart A and Subpart I).
2. Within 15 days of the actual start-up date of any NSPS-affected equipment, River Basin shall submit written notification to the Department of the initial start-up date of the affected equipment (ARM 17.8.340 and 40 CFR 60, Subpart A and Subpart I).
3. Within 15 days of the actual start-up date of any non-NSPS-affected equipment, River Basin shall submit written notification to the Department of the initial start-up date of the affected equipment (ARM 17.8.749).

SECTION III: General Conditions

- A. Inspection – River Basin shall allow the Department's representatives access to the source at all reasonable times for the purpose of making inspections or surveys, collecting samples, obtaining data, auditing any monitoring equipment (Continuous Emissions Monitoring System (CEMS), Continuous Emissions Rate Monitoring System (CERMS)) or observing any monitoring or testing, and otherwise conducting all necessary functions related to this permit.
- B. Waiver – The permit and all the terms, conditions, and matters stated herein shall be deemed accepted if River Basin fails to appeal as indicated below.
- C. Compliance with Statutes and Regulations – Nothing in this permit shall be construed as relieving River Basin of the responsibility for complying with any applicable federal or Montana statute, rule, or standard, except as specifically provided for in ARM 17.8.740, *et seq.* (ARM 17.8.756).
- D. Enforcement – Violations of limitations, conditions and requirements contained herein may constitute grounds for permit revocation, penalties or other enforcement as specified in Section 75-2-401, *et seq.*, MCA.
- E. Appeals – Any person or persons jointly or severally adversely affected by the Department's decision may request, within 15 days after the Department renders its decision, upon affidavit setting forth the grounds therefore, a hearing before the Board of Environmental Review (Board). A hearing shall be held under the provisions of the Montana Administrative Procedures Act. The filing of a request for a hearing does not stay the Department's decision, unless the Board issues a stay upon receipt of a petition and a finding that a stay is appropriate under Section 75-2-211(11)(b), MCA. The issuance of a stay on a permit by the Board postpones the effective date of the Department's decision until conclusion of the hearing and issuance of a final decision by the Board. If a stay is not issued by the Board, the Department's decision on the application is final 16 days after the Department's decision is made.
- F. Permit Inspection – As required by ARM 17.8.755, Inspection of Permit, a copy of the air quality permit shall be made available for inspection by Department personnel at the location of the permitted source.
- G. Air Quality Permit Fees – Pursuant to Section 75-2-220, MCA, failure to pay the annual operation fee by River Basin may be grounds for revocation of this permit, as required by that section and rules adopted thereunder by the Board.
- H. Duration of Permit – Construction or installation must begin or contractual obligations entered into that would constitute substantial loss within 3 years of permit issuance and proceed with due diligence until the project is complete or the permit shall expire (ARM 17.8.762).
- I. The Department may modify the conditions of this permit based on local conditions of any future site. These factors may include, but are not limited to, local terrain, meteorological conditions, proximity to residences, etc.
- J. River Basin shall comply with the conditions contained in this permit while operating in any location in Montana, except within those areas that have a Department-approved permitting program or areas considered tribal lands.

Montana Air Quality Permit (MAQP) Analysis
River Basin Contracting
MAQP #4929-00

I. Introduction/Process Description

River Basin Contracting (River Basin) proposes to install and operate a portable rotary drum hot-mix asphalt plant with a maximum rated design capacity of 600 tons per hour (TPH) of asphalt production. MAQP #4929-00 applies while operating at any location in Montana, except those areas having a Department of Environmental Quality (Department) approved permitting program, areas considered tribal lands, or areas in or within 10 kilometers (km) of certain particulate matter with an aerodynamic diameter of ten microns or less (PM₁₀) nonattainment areas. *A Missoula County air quality permit will be required for locations within Missoula County, Montana.* An addendum will be required for locations in or within 10 km of certain PM₁₀ nonattainment areas.

A. Permitted Equipment

The following list of permitted equipment is provided for reference, as MAQP #4929-00 is written de minimis friendly whereby operational flexibility is provided so that alternate equipment may be utilized as long as maximum permitted capacities are not exceeded. See Section II of the MAQP for specific equipment limitations and/or conditions. Equipment permitted under this action includes, but is not limited to the following:

- 1986 CMI PUM2900 rotary drum dryer-mix asphalt plant with baghouse control
- Hauck SJ4750A dryer burner 130.5 million British Thermal Units per hour (mmbtu/hr) dryer
- 1986 CEI 1500 asphalt oil storage tank and heater – 1.5 mmbtu/hr dual fuel (Propane or diesel)
- 1986 Armadillo Machine Co. scalping screen
- Asphalt storage silo
- 2,000 brake-horse power (bhp) primary diesel-fired generator set
- 75 bhp secondary diesel-fired generator set
- Material handling equipment; conveyors, aggregate bins, RAP bin, etc.
- Associate Equipment

B. Source Description

For a typical operational set-up, aggregate material and recycled asphalt pavement (RAP) are taken from the on-site aggregate stockpiles and dumped via a front end loader into the process feed bins. Aggregate is transferred from the cold feed bins via conveyor to a screen and weigh bridge conveyor which feeds the drum mixer. The plant is also set-up to utilize reclaimed asphalt pavement (RAP) material, which is feed directly into the drum via a designated RAP bin. Liquid asphalt cement is introduced into the aggregate within the drum mixer. The material is dried and heated within the drum mixer which is fired with various fuels (waste oil, No. 6 or No. 2 fuel oil), propane or natural gas. Exhaust from the dryer vents to the atmosphere through the primary baghouse. Liquid asphalt cement is delivered through hoses from the portable hot oil heater tank. Once all the raw materials have been introduced into the drum mixer they are continuously mixed and heated by the drum mixer burner.

After heating and mixing is completed, the asphalt product is transferred from the drum mixer to the asphalt product silo via a conveyor. The asphalt remains in the asphalt silo until it is loaded into trucks for transport to a given job location. A primary diesel-fired generator set powers the production equipment, while a secondary diesel-fired genset is utilized for supplemental power during non-production.

II. Applicable Rules and Regulations

The following are partial explanations of some applicable rules and regulations that apply to the facility. The complete rules are stated in the Administrative Rules of Montana (ARM) and are available, upon request, from the Department. Upon request, the Department will provide references for location of complete copies of all applicable rules and regulations or copies where appropriate.

A. ARM 17.8, Subchapter 1 – General Provisions, including, but not limited to:

1. ARM 17.8.101 Definitions. This rule includes a list of applicable definitions used in this chapter, unless indicated otherwise in a specific subchapter.
2. ARM 17.8.105 Testing Requirements. Any person or persons responsible for the emission of any air contaminant into the outdoor atmosphere shall, upon written request of the Department, provide the facilities and necessary equipment (including instruments and sensing devices) and shall conduct tests, emission or ambient, for such periods of time as may be necessary using methods approved by the Department.
3. ARM 17.8.106 Source Testing Protocol. The requirements of this rule apply to any emission source testing conducted by the Department, any source, or other entity as required by any rule in this chapter, or any permit or order issued pursuant to this chapter, or the provisions of the Clean Air Act of Montana, 75-2-101, *et seq.*, Montana Code Annotated (MCA).

River Basin shall comply with the requirements contained in the Montana Source Test Protocol and Procedures Manual, including, but not limited to, using the proper test methods and supplying the required reports. A copy of the Montana Source Test Protocol and Procedures Manual is available from the Department upon request.

4. ARM 17.8.110 Malfunctions. (2) The Department must be notified promptly by telephone whenever a malfunction occurs that can be expected to create emissions in excess of any applicable emission limitation or to continue for a period greater than 4 hours.
5. ARM 17.8.111 Circumvention. (1) No person shall cause or permit the installation or use of any device or any means that, without resulting in reduction of the total amount of air contaminant emitted, conceals or dilutes an emission of air contaminant that would otherwise violate an air pollution control regulation. (2) No equipment that may produce emissions shall be operated or maintained in such a manner as to create a public nuisance.

B. ARM 17.8, Subchapter 2 – Ambient Air Quality, including, but not limited to:

1. ARM 17.8.204 Ambient Air Monitoring
2. ARM 17.8.210 Ambient Air Quality Standards for Sulfur Dioxide (SO₂)
3. ARM 17.8.211 Ambient Air Quality Standards for Nitrogen Dioxide (NO₂)
4. ARM 17.8.212 Ambient Air Quality Standards for Carbon Monoxide (CO)
5. ARM 17.8.211 Ambient Air Quality Standards for Ozone (O₃)
6. ARM 17.8.220 Ambient Air Quality Standards for Settled Particulate Matter (PM)
7. ARM 17.8.221 Ambient Air Quality Standard for Visibility
8. ARM 17.8.223 Ambient Air Quality Standard for PM₁₀

River Basin must maintain compliance with the applicable ambient air quality standards.

- C. ARM 17.8, Subchapter 3 – Emission Standards, including, but not limited to:
1. ARM 17.8.304 Visible Air Contaminants. This rule requires that no person may cause or authorize emissions to be discharged into the outdoor atmosphere from any source installed after November 23, 1968, that exhibit an opacity of 20% or greater averaged over 6 consecutive minutes.
 2. ARM 17.8.308 Particulate Matter, Airborne. (1) This rule requires an opacity limitation of less than 20% for all fugitive emission sources and that reasonable precautions are taken to control emissions of airborne particulate matter. (2) Under this rule, River Basin shall not cause or authorize the use of any street, road, or parking lot without taking reasonable precautions to control emissions of airborne particulate matter.
 3. ARM 17.8.309 Particulate Matter, Fuel Burning Equipment. This rule requires that no person shall cause or authorize to be discharged into the atmosphere particulate matter caused by the combustion of fuel in excess of the amount determined by this section.
 4. ARM 17.8.310 Particulate Matter, Industrial Process. This rule requires that no person shall cause or authorize to be discharged into the atmosphere particulate matter in excess of the amount set forth in this section.
 5. ARM 17.8.322 Sulfur Oxide Emissions--Sulfur in Fuel. This rule requires that no person shall burn liquid, solid, or gaseous fuel in excess of the amount set forth in this section.
 6. ARM 17.8.324 Hydrocarbon Emissions--Petroleum Products. (3) No person shall load or permit the loading of gasoline into any stationary tank with a capacity of 250 gallons or more from any tank truck or trailer, except through a permanent submerged fill pipe, unless such tank truck or trailer is equipped with a vapor loss control device as described in (1) of this rule.
 7. ARM 17.8.340 Standard of Performance for New Stationary Sources. This rule incorporates, by reference, 40 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) Part 60, Standards of Performance for New Stationary Sources (NSPS). Based on the information submitted by River Basin the portable drum mix-asphalt plant and associated equipment are subject to NSPS (40 CFR 60), as follows:
 - a. 40 CFR 60, Subpart A – General Provisions. This subpart applies to all equipment or facilities subject to an NSPS subpart as listed below:
 - b. 40 CFR 60, Subpart I – Standards of Performance of Hot Mix Asphalt Facilities. This subpart applies to any hot mix asphalt facility. Therefore, this facility is subject to this subpart.
 - c. 40 CFR 60, Subpart III – Standards of Performance for Stationary Compression Ignition Internal Combustion Engines (CI ICE). Owners and operators of stationary CI ICE that commence construction after July 11, 2005, where the stationary CI ICE are manufactured after April 1, 2006, and are not fire pump engines, and owners and operators of stationary CI ICE that modify or reconstruct their stationary CI ICE after July 11, 2005, are subject to this subpart. As the permit is written de minimis-friendly, River Basin may substitute compression

ignition internal combustion engine(s), therefore applicability to this subpart shall be dependent upon the date of construction and/or manufacture of the diesel engine utilized and the length of time it operates at a single location.

8. ARM 17.8.342 Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Source Categories. This rule incorporates, by reference, 40 CFR Part 63, National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAPs) for Source Categories. Based on the information submitted by River Basin the diesel-fired engines associated with MAQP #4929-00 is applicable to NESHAP (40 CFR 63), as follows:

- a. 40 CFR 63, Subpart A – General Provisions. This subpart applies to all equipment or facilities subject to a NESHAP subpart as listed below:
- b. 40 CFR 63, Subpart ZZZZ – National Emissions Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAPs) for Stationary Reciprocating Internal Combustion Engines (RICE). An owner or operator of a stationary reciprocating internal combustion engine (RICE) at a major or area source of HAP emissions is subject to this rule except if the stationary RICE is being tested at a stationary RICE test cell/stand. As River Basin is considered an area source of HAP emissions and operates RICE equipment, the engine(s) are potentially subject to this subpart. Subpart ZZZZ applies to stationary RICE equipment, therefore applicability will depend upon the nature of operations.

D. ARM 17.8, Subchapter 5 – Air Quality Permit Application, Operation, and Open Burning Fees, including, but not limited to:

1. ARM 17.8.504 Air Quality Permit Application Fees. This rule requires that an applicant submit an air quality permit application fee concurrent with the submittal of an air quality permit application. A permit application is incomplete until the proper application fee is paid to the Department. River Basin submitted the appropriate application fee for the current permit action.
2. ARM 17.8.505 Air Quality Operation Fees. An annual air quality operation fee must, as a condition of continued operation, be submitted to the Department by each source of air contaminants holding an air quality permit, excluding an open burning permit, issued by the Department; the air quality operation fee is based on the actual or estimated actual amount of air pollutants emitted during the previous calendar year.

An air quality operation fee is separate and distinct from an air quality permit application fee. The annual assessment and collection of the air quality operation fee, described above, shall take place on a calendar-year basis. The Department may insert into any final permit issued after the effective date of these rules, such conditions as may be necessary to require the payment of an air quality operation fee on a calendar-year basis, including provisions that pro-rate the required fee amount.

E. ARM 17.8, Subchapter 7 – Permit, Construction, and Operation of Air Contaminant Sources, including, but not limited to:

1. ARM 17.8.740 Definitions. This rule is a list of applicable definitions used in this chapter, unless indicated otherwise in a specific subchapter.
2. ARM 17.8.743 Montana Air Quality Permits--When Required. This rule requires a person to obtain an MAQP or permit modification to construct, modify, or use any asphalt plant, crusher or screen that has the potential to emit (PTE) greater than 15

tons per year (tpy) of any pollutant. River Basin has a PTE greater than 15 tpy of oxides of nitrogen (NO_x), PM, PM₁₀, CO, SO₂, and volatile organic compounds (VOC); therefore, an MAQP is required.

3. ARM 17.8.744 Montana Air Quality Permits--General Exclusions. This rule identifies the activities that are not subject to the MAQP program.
4. ARM 17.8.745 Montana Air Quality Permits--Exclusion for De Minimis Changes. This rule identifies the de minimis changes at permitted facilities that do not require a permit under the MAQP program.
5. ARM 17.8.748 New or Modified Emitting Units--Permit Application. (1) This rule requires that a permit application be submitted prior to installation, modification, or use of a source. River Basin submitted the required permit application for the current permit action. (7) This rule requires that the applicant notify the public by means of legal publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the area affected by the application for a permit. River Basin submitted an affidavit of publication of public notice for the June 5, 2013, issue of the *Sidney Herald*, a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Sidney, MT in Richland County, as proof of compliance with the public notice requirements.
6. ARM 17.8.749 Conditions for Issuance or Denial of Permit. This rule requires that the permits issued by the Department must authorize the construction and operation of the facility or emitting unit subject to the conditions in the permit and the requirements of this subchapter. This rule also requires that the permit must contain any conditions necessary to assure compliance with the Federal Clean Air Act (FCAA), the Clean Air Act of Montana, and rules adopted under those acts.
7. ARM 17.8.752 Emission Control Requirements. This rule requires a source to install the maximum air pollution control capability that is technically practicable and economically feasible, except that BACT shall be utilized. The required BACT analysis is included in Section III of this permit analysis.
8. ARM 17.8.755 Inspection of Permit. This rule requires that MAQPs shall be made available for inspection by the Department at the location of the source.
9. ARM 17.8.756 Compliance with Other Requirements. This rule states that nothing in the permit shall be construed as relieving River Basin of the responsibility for complying with any applicable federal or Montana statute, rule, or standard, except as specifically provided in ARM 17.8.740, *et seq.*
10. ARM 17.8.759 Review of Permit Applications. This rule describes the Department's responsibilities for processing permit applications and making permit decisions on those permit applications that do not require the preparation of an environmental impact statement.
11. ARM 17.8.762 Duration of Permit. An MAQP shall be valid until revoked or modified, as provided in this subchapter, except that a permit issued prior to construction of a new or modified source may contain a condition providing that the permit will expire unless construction is commenced within the time specified in the permit, which in no event may be less than 1 year after the permit is issued.

12. ARM 17.8.763 Revocation of Permit. An MAQP may be revoked upon written request of the permittee, or for violations of any requirement of the Clean Air Act of Montana, rules adopted under the Clean Air Act of Montana, the FCAA, rules adopted under the FCAA, or any applicable requirement contained in the Montana State Implementation Plan (SIP).
13. ARM 17.8.764 Administrative Amendment to Permit. An MAQP may be amended for changes in any applicable rules and standards adopted by the Board of Environmental Review (Board) or changed conditions of operation at a source or stack that do not result in an increase of emissions as a result of those changed conditions. The owner or operator of a facility may not increase the facility's emissions beyond permit limits unless the increase meets the criteria in ARM 17.8.745 for a de minimis change not requiring a permit, or unless the owner or operator applies for and receives another permit in accordance with ARM 17.8.748, ARM 17.8.749, ARM 17.8.752, ARM 17.8.755, and ARM 17.8.756, and with all applicable requirements in ARM Title 17, Chapter 8, Subchapters 8, 9, and 10.
14. ARM 17.8.765 Transfer of Permit. (1) This rule states that an MAQP may be transferred from one location to another if the Department receives a complete notice of intent to transfer location, the facility will operate in the new location for less than 1 year, the facility will comply with the FCAA and the Clean Air Act of Montana, and the facility complies with other applicable rules. (2) This rule states that an MAQP may be transferred from one person to another if written notice of intent to transfer, including the names of the transferor and the transferee, is sent to the Department.

F. ARM 17.8, Subchapter 8 – Prevention of Significant Deterioration of Air Quality, including, but not limited to:

1. ARM 17.8.801 Definitions. This rule is a list of applicable definitions used in this subchapter.
2. ARM 17.8.818 Review of Major Stationary Sources and Major Modification--Source Applicability and Exemptions. The requirements contained in ARM 17.8.819 through ARM 17.8.827 shall apply to any major stationary source and any major modification with respect to each pollutant subject to regulation under the FCAA that it would emit, except as this subchapter would otherwise allow.

This facility is not a major stationary source because it is not a listed source and the facility's PTE is less than 250 tons per year of any pollutant (excluding fugitive emissions).

G. ARM 17.8, Subchapter 12 – Operating Permit Program Applicability, including, but not limited to:

1. ARM 17.8.1201 Definitions. (23) Major Source under Section 7412 of the FCAA is defined as any stationary source having:
 - a. PTE > 100 tpy of any pollutant;
 - b. PTE > 10 tpy of a single hazardous air pollutant (HAP), PTE > 25 tpy of combined HAPs, or lesser quantity as the Department may establish by rule; or
 - c. PTE > 70 tpy of PM₁₀ in a serious PM₁₀ nonattainment area.

2. ARM 17.8.1204 Air Quality Operating Permit Program Applicability. (1) Title V of the FCAA Amendments of 1990 requires that all sources, as defined in ARM 17.8.1204 (1), obtain a Title V Operating Permit. In reviewing and issuing MAQP #4929-00 for River Basin, the following conclusions were made:
 - a. River Basin has requested that federally-enforceable permit operating limits be established to maintain the facility's PTE to less than 100 tpy.
 - b. The facility's PTE is less than 10 tpy for any single HAP and less than 25 tpy of combined HAPs.
 - c. This source is not located in a serious PM₁₀ nonattainment area.
 - d. This facility is subject to a current NSPS (40 CFR 60, Subpart I and Subpart III (potentially)).
 - e. This facility is potentially subject to a current NESHAP Standard (40 CFR 63, Subpart ZZZZ).
 - f. This source is not a Title IV affected source.
 - g. This source is not a solid waste combustion unit.
 - h. This source is not an EPA designated Title V source.

River Basin requested federally-enforceable permit limitations to remain a minor source of emissions with respect to Title V. Based on these limitations, the Department determined that this facility is not subject to the Title V Operating Permit Program. However, in the event that the EPA makes minor sources that are subject to NSPS obtain a Title V Operating Permit; this source will be subject to the Title V Operating Permit Program.

- i. ARM 17.8.1204(3). The Department may exempt a source from the requirement to obtain an air quality operating permit by establishing federally enforceable limitations which limit that source's PTE.
 - i. In applying for an exemption under this section the owner or operator of the facility shall certify to the Department that the source's PTE does not require the source to obtain an air quality operating permit.
 - ii. Any source that obtains a federally enforceable limit on PTE shall annually certify that its actual emissions are less than those that would require the source to obtain an air quality operating permit.
3. ARM 17.8.1207 Certification of Truth, Accuracy, and Completeness. The compliance certification submittal by ARM 17.8.1204(3) shall contain certification by a responsible official of truth, accuracy, and completeness. This certification and any other certification required under this subchapter shall state that, based on information and belief formed after reasonable inquiry, the statements and information in the document are true, accurate, and complete.

III. BACT Determination

A BACT determination is required for each new or modified source. River Basin shall install on the new or modified source the maximum air pollution control capability which is technically practicable and economically feasible, except that BACT shall be utilized.

A. Asphalt Drum Mixer/Dryer

The Department reviewed relevant control options, as well as previous BACT determinations. The following control options were reviewed by the Department in order to make the following BACT determinations:

- Fabric Filter Baghouse
- Electrostatic Precipitator
- Cyclone
- Wet Scrubber

All of the listed technologies are deemed technically feasible for this application. Technical feasible control options, in order the highest control efficiency to the lowest control efficiency base on PM control are as follows:

1. Fabric Filter Baghouse (99 – 99.9% efficient) (EPA Fact Sheet EPA-452/F-03-025, 07/15/03)
2. Electrostatic Precipitator (99 – 99.9% efficient) (EPA Fact Sheet EPA-452/F-03-028, 07/15/03)
3. Cyclone (up to 99% efficient) (EPA Fact Sheet EPA-452/F-03-005, 07/15/03)
4. Wet Scrubber (70 – greater than 99% efficient) (EPA Fact Sheet EPA-452/F-03-0017, 07/15/03)

River Basin has proposed to use a fabric filter baghouse for the control of PM from the exhaust of the asphalt drum mixer. Because River Basin proposes to use a control technology that is equivalent to the highest control efficiency, no further economic analysis is needed. The control option selected has control technology and a control cost comparable to other recently permitted similar sources and is capable of achieving the appropriate emissions standards. Operating and maintaining a baghouse will constitute BACT for the asphalt drum mixer. All asphalt drum mixer emissions are limited to 0.04 grains per dry standard cubic foot (gr/dscf) for particulate and 20 percent opacity in accordance with 40 CFR 60, Subpart I. River Basin shall install and operate a device to measure the pressure drop (magnehelic gauge, manometer, etc.) across the fabric filter system, as well as temperature indicators at the baghouse inlet and outlet.

B. Diesel Generators

Due to the limited amount of emissions produced by the diesel-fired engine(s) used in association with MAQP #4929-00 and the lack of cost effective add-on controls, such add-on controls would be cost prohibitive. Therefore, the Department determined that proper operation and maintenance with no add-on controls would constitute BACT for the diesel-fired engine(s).

In addition, any existing and new diesel-fired engine would likely be required to comply with the federal engine emission limitations including, EPA Tiered emission standards for non-road engines (40 CFR Parts 89 and 1039), New Source Performance Standard emission limitations for stationary compression ignition engines (40 CFR 60, Subpart IIII), or

National Emissions Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutant Sources for Reciprocating Internal Combustion Engines (40 CFR 63, Subpart ZZZZ). Therefore, the Department has determined that compliance with applicable federal standards and proper operation and maintenance of the engines constitutes BACT for these engines.

C. Fugitive Emissions

River Basin must take reasonable precautions to limit the fugitive emissions of airborne particulate matter on haul roads, access roads, parking lots, and the general plant area. Reasonable precautions include treating all unpaved portions of the haul roads, access roads, parking lots, or the general plant area with water and/or chemical dust suppressant, as necessary. Using water and/or chemical dust suppressant to comply with the reasonable precautions limitation will be considered BACT.

The control options selected contain control equipment and control costs comparable to other recently permitted similar sources and are capable of achieving the appropriate emission standards.

IV. Emission Inventory

Emission Source	Emissions Tons/Year [PTE] ^{(a)(b)(c)}						
	PM	PM ₁₀	PM _{2.5}	CO	NO _x	SO ₂	VOC
Rotary Drum Mix Asphalt Plant w/ Baghouse	14.51	4.35	3.05	66.30	28.05	29.58	16.32
Asphalt Heater	0.03	0.02	0.01	0.05	0.22	0.07	0.00
Aggregate & RAP Load-In	2.54	1.20	0.18	--	--	--	--
Aggregate Screening	1.12	0.38	0.03	--	--	--	--
Aggregate & RAP Conveying	0.50	0.16	0.05	--	--	--	--
Asphalt Storage & Handling	0.30	0.30	0.30	0.60	--	--	6.22
Asphalt Load-Out	0.27	0.27	0.27	0.69	--	--	2.12
Primary Diesel Engine [≤ 2,000 bhp]	3.74	3.74	0.66	11.36	52.70	3.49	4.27
Secondary Diesel Engine [≤75 bhp]	0.72	0.72	0.13	2.19	10.18	0.67	0.83
Unpaved Roadways	5.49	1.51	0.15	--	--	--	--
TOTAL EMISSIONS ►	29.22	12.65	4.82	81.19	91.16	33.80	29.76

(a) Emission Inventory reflects enforceable limits on hours of operation of the diesel-fired generator engine and asphalt production throughput to maintain allowable CO and NO_x emissions below the Title V threshold [100 tpy].

(b) PM₁₀/PM_{2.5} emissions presented in the table represent the sum of the filterable and condensable particulate matter (CPM) fractions.

(c) For dual fuel combustion equipment the emission inventory presents the emission factors resulting in the highest emission rate.

acfm, actual cubic feet per minute	hr, hour
ASOS, Automated Surface Observing System	lbs, pounds
AWOS, Automated Weather Observing System	mm, million
bhp, brake-horsepower	NO _x , oxides of nitrogen
Btu, million British Thermal Units	PTE, Potential To Emit
CO, carbon monoxide	PM, particulate matter
dscf, dry standard cubic feet	PM _{COND} , condensable particulate matter [< 2.5 microns]
°F, degrees Fahrenheit	PM ₁₀ , particulate matter with an aerodynamic diameter of 10 microns or less
°R, degrees Rankine	PM _{2.5} , particulate matter with an aerodynamic diameter of 2.5 microns or less
ft ³ , cubic feet	RAP, recycled asphalt pavement
g, grams	SM, synthetic minor (with respect to Title V criteria pollutants)
gr, grains	SO ₂ , sulfur dioxide
Hg, mercury	TPH, tons per hour
HMA, hot mix asphalt	TPY, tons per year
	VOC, volatile organic compounds

Hot-Mix Asphalt Production:

Drum Dryer Asphalt Plant with Baghouse [SCC 3-05-002-05, SCC 3-05-002-55 to 3-05-002-63]

1986 CMI PUM2900 HMA Plant (Parallel-Flow Drum Mixer)

Dryer fuel Configuration: Hauck SJ4750A Duel fuel - Waste Oil, No. 6 Fuel Oil, No. 2 Fuel Oil, Natural Gas, or Propane

Maximum Rated Heat 130.54 mmbtu/hr

Control Equipment: 2000 CMI 418P Roto Air

Production 600 Tons/Hour (Maximum) tons/year (Restricted Maximum)

Power Plant: 2000 bhp Primary Diesel-Fired Generator Set (Asphalt Plant & Production Power Supply)

75 bhp Secondary Diesel-Fired Generator Set (Non-Production Power Supply)

Note: Asphalt Plant May Operate On Utility Supplied Power

Operating Parameters:

Asphalt 1700 Hours/Year (Restricted Maximum)

Diesel Generator Set(s):

Primary: 1700 Hours/Year (Restricted Maximum)

Secondary: 8760 Hours/Year (Restricted Maximum)

Plant Elevation: 2130 feet (initial location)

Pressure at 27.72 inches Hg (estimate at 68°F)

STP: 29.92 inches. Hg @ 68 °F / 527.67°Rankine

Stack Parameters:

Actual Flow Rate (volume): 88,00 acfm (application)

Stack Temperature: 275 °F (application) 734.67 °Rankine

Stack Gas Moisture: 15 % (estimate)

Std. Flow Rate (volume): 58562 scfm

Dry Std. Flow Rate 49778 Dscfm

*Std. Volumetric Flow Rate Correction (acfm → scfm) $V1 = V2 * (P2/P1) * (T1/T2)$*

Particulate Emissions: Stack Parameters (controlled)

PM Emissions:

Emission Rate 0.04 gr/dscf [Permit Limit]

Calculations (0.04 gr/dscf) * (49778 dscfm) * (60 min/hr) * (1 lb / 7000 gr) = 17.07 lbs/hr
(17.07 lbs/hr) * (1700 hrs/yr) * (0.0005 tons/lb) = 14.51 TPY

PM₁₀ Emissions:

Emission Rate 0.012 gr/dscf [30% PM₁₀ to PM, AP-42 Table 11.1-4, 3/04]

Calculations (0.012 gr/dscf) * (49778 dscfm) * (60 min/hr) * (1 lb / 7000 gr) = 5.12 lbs/hr
(5.12 lbs/hr) * (1700 hrs/yr) * (0.0005 tons/lb) = 4.35 TPY

PM_{2.5} Emissions:

Emission Rate 0.0084 gr/dscf [21% PM_{2.5} to PM, AP-42 Table 11.1-4, 3/04]

Calculations (0.0084 gr/dscf) * (49778 dscfm) * (60 min/hr) * (1 lb / 7000 gr) = 3.58 lbs/hr
(3.58 lbs/hr) * (1700 hrs/yr) * (0.0005 tons/lb) = 3.05 TPY

CO Emissions (uncontrolled):

Emission Factor 0.13 lbs/ton Asphalt Product [AP-42 Table 11.1-7, 3/04]

Calculations (0.13 lbs/ton) * (600 tons/hr) = 78.00 lbs/hr
(78.00 lbs/hr) * (1700 hrs/yr) * (0.0005 tons/lb) = 66.30 TPY

NO_x Emissions (uncontrolled):

Emission Factor	0.055 lbs/ton Asphalt Product	[AP-42 Table 11.1-7, 3/04]	
Calculations	(0.055 lbs/ton) * (600 tons/hr) =		33.00 lbs/hr
	(33.00 lbs/hr) * (1700 hrs/yr) * (0.0005 tons/lb) =		28.05 TPY

SO₂ Emissions (uncontrolled):

Emission Factor	0.0580 lbs/ton Asphalt Product	[AP-42 Table 11.1-7, 3/04]	
Calculations	(0.058 lbs/ton) * (600 tons/hr) =		34.80 lbs/hr
	(34.80 lbs/hr) * (1700 hrs/yr) * (0.0005 tons/lb) =		29.58 TPY

VOC Emissions (uncontrolled):

Emission Factor	0.032 lbs/ton Asphalt Product	[AP-42 Table 11.1-8, 3/04]	
Calculations	(0.032 lbs/ton) * (600 tons/hr) =		19.20 lbs/hr
	(19.20 lbs/hr) * (1700 hrs/yr) * (0.0005 tons/lb) =		16.32 TPY

CEI 1500 Asphalt Heater [SCC 3-05-002-08]

Fuel Type:	Diesel
Burner Firing Rate:	1.50 mmbtu/hr [Maximum Design]
Fuel Rate (Diesel):	10.9 gallons/hour [Estimated → 19,300 btu/lb]
	77.72 lbs/hr [7.1 lbs/gal]
Operating Hours:	1700 hrs/year

Particulate Emissions (uncontrolled):

PM Emissions (total):

Emission Factor	PM (filterable) + PM (condensable)	
Calculations	0.022 lbs/hr PM (filterable) + 0.014 lbs/hr PM (condensable) =	0.04 lbs/hr
	(0.036 lbs/hr) * (1700 hrs/yr) * (0.0005 tons/lb) =	0.03 TPY

PM Emissions (filterable):

Emission Factor	2.0 lbs/10 ³ gallons	[AP-42 Table 1.3-1, 5/10]	
Calculations	(2.0 lbs / 1,000 gal) * (10.9 gal/hr) =		0.02 lbs/hr
	(0.022 lbs/hr) * (1700 hrs/yr) * (0.0005 tons/lb) =		0.02 TPY

PM₁₀ Emissions (total):

Emission Factor	PM ₁₀ (filterable) + PM ₁₀ (condensable)	
Calculations	0.01 lbs/hr PM ₁₀ (filterable) + 0.014 lbs/hr PM ₁₀ (condensable) =	0.03 lbs/hr
	(0.025 lbs/hr) * (1700 hrs/yr) * (0.0005 tons/lb) =	0.02 TPY

PM₁₀ Emissions (filterable):

Emission Factor	1.0 lbs/10 ³ gallons	[AP-42 Table 1.3-6, 5/10]	
Calculations	(1.0 lbs / 1,000 gal) * (10.9 gal/hr) =		0.01 lbs/hr
	(0.011 lbs/hr) * (1700 hrs/yr) * (0.0005 tons/lb) =		0.01 TPY

PM_{2.5} Emissions (filterable):

Emission Factor	0.25 lbs/10 ³ gallons	[AP-42 Table 1.3-6, 5/10]	
Calculations	(0.25 lbs / 1,000 gal) * (10.9 gal/hr) =		0.003 lbs/hr
	(0.003 lbs/hr) * (1700 hrs/yr) * (0.0005 tons/lb) =		0.002 TPY

PM_{2.5} Emissions (condensable):

Emission Factor 1.30 lbs/10³ gallons* [AP-42 Table 1.3-2, 5/10]
 Calculations (1.3 lbs / 1,000 gal) * (10.9 gal/hr) = 0.01 lbs/hr
 (0.014 lbs/hr) * (1700 hrs/yr) * (0.0005 tons/lb) = 0.01 TPY
 * All PM condensable assumed < 1.0 micron in diameter

CO Emissions (uncontrolled):

Emission Factor 5.0 lbs/10³ gallons [AP-42 Table 1.3-1, 5/10]
 Calculations (5.0 lbs / 1,000 gal) * (10.9 gal/hr) = 0.05 lbs/hr
 (0.055 lbs/hr) * (1700 hrs/yr) * (0.0005 tons/lb) = 0.05 TPY

NO_x Emissions (uncontrolled):

Emission Factor 24 lbs/10³ gallons [AP-42 Table 1.3-1, 5/10]
 Calculations (24.0 lbs / 1,000 gal) * (10.9 gal/hr) = 0.26 lbs/hr
 (0.26 lbs/hr) * (1700 hrs/yr) * (0.0005 tons/lb) = 0.22 TPY

SO₂ Emissions (uncontrolled):

Emission Factor (77.72 lbs/hr)*(0.0005)*(1 lb mol S/32.1 lb S)*(64.1 lb SO₂/lb mol SO₂) = 0.08 lbs/hr
 Calculations (0.08 lbs/hr) * (1700 hrs/yr) * (0.0005 tons/lb) = 0.07 TPY
 * Based on maximum diesel fuel sulfur content of 500 ppm [40 CFR 80.510(a)(1)]

VOC Emissions (uncontrolled):

Emission Factor 0.252 lbs/10³ gallons [AP-42 Table 1.3-3, 5/10]
 Calculations (0.3 lbs / 1,000 gal) * (10.9 gal/hr) = 0.003 lbs/hr
 (0.00 lbs/hr) * (1700 hrs/yr) * (0.0005 tons/lb) = 0.002 TPY

Material Handling:

Aggregate & RAP Handling & Load-in [SCC 30500216]

Process Rate: 600 tons/hour
 Number of Piles: 1 pile Transfers [Aggregate & RAP Load-In to Feed Bins]
 Operating Hours: 1700 hours/year

Particulate Emissions (controlled):

Emission Factor $EF = k (0.0032) * [(U/5)^{1.3} / (M / 2)^{1.4}]$ [AP-42 13.2.4, 11/06]

where: EF, Emission Factor = lbs Emitted / ton Processed

k, Dimensionless Particle Size Multiplier PM = 0.74 [AP-42 13.2.4, 11/06]

k, Dimensionless Particle Size Multiplier PM₁₀ = 0.35 [AP-42 13.2.4, 11/06]

k, Dimensionless Particle Size Multiplier PM_{2.5} = 0.053 [AP-42 13.2.4, 11/06]

U, Mean Wind Speed (mph) = 9.3 [ASOS/AWOS AVE-MT 10 yr Ave.]

M, Material Moisture Content (%) = 2.1 [AP-42 13.2.4-1, 11/06]

PM Emissions:

Emission Factor $EF = 0.74 * (0.0032) * [(9.33/5)^{1.3} / (2.1 / 2)^{1.4}] =$ 0.0050 lbs/ton
 Calculations (0.0050 lbs/ton) * (600 tons/hr) * (1 pile) = 2.99 lbs/hr
 (2.99 lbs/hr) * (1700 hrs/year) * (0.0005 lbs/ton) = 2.54 TPY

PM₁₀ Emissions:

Emission Factor	$EF = 0.35 * (0.0032) * (7.0/5)^{1.3} / (2.1 / 2)^{1.4} =$	0.0024 lbs/ton
Calculations	$(0.0024 \text{ lbs/ton}) * (600 \text{ tons/hr}) * (1 \text{ pile}) =$	1.41 lbs/hr
	$(1.41 \text{ lbs/hr}) * (1700 \text{ hrs/year}) * (0.0005 \text{ lbs/ton}) =$	1.20 TPY

PM_{2.5} Emissions:

Emission Factor	$EF = 0.053 * (0.0032) * (7.0/5)^{1.3} / (2.1 / 2)^{1.4} =$	0.0004 lbs/ton
Calculations	$(0.0004 \text{ lbs/ton}) * (600 \text{ tons/hr}) * (1 \text{ pile}) =$	0.21 lbs/hr
	$(0.21 \text{ lbs/hr}) * (1700 \text{ hrs/year}) * (0.0005 \text{ lbs/ton}) =$	0.18 TPY

Aggregate Scalping Screen [SCC 3-05-020-02]

Process Rate: 600 tons/hour
 Operating Hours: 1700 hours/year

Particulate Emissions (controlled):

PM Emissions:

Emission Factor	0.0022 lbs/ton processed [AP-42 Table 11.19.2-2, 8/04]	
Calculations	$(0.0022 \text{ lbs/ton}) * (600 \text{ tons/hr}) =$	1.32 lbs/hr
	$(1.32 \text{ lbs/hr}) * (1700 \text{ hrs/yr}) * (0.0005 \text{ tons/lb}) =$	1.12 TPY

PM₁₀ Emissions:

Emission Factor	0.00074 lbs/ton processed [AP-42 Table 11.19.2-2, 8/04]	
Calculations	$(0.00074 \text{ lbs/ton}) * (600 \text{ tons/hr}) =$	0.44 lbs/hr
	$(0.444 \text{ lbs/hr}) * (1700 \text{ hrs/yr}) * (0.0005 \text{ tons/lb}) =$	0.38 TPY

PM_{2.5} Emissions:

Emission Factor	0.00005 lbs/ton processed [AP-42 Table 11.19.2-2, 8/04]	
Calculations	$(0.00005 \text{ lbs/ton}) * (600 \text{ tons/hr}) =$	0.03 lbs/hr
	$(0.03 \text{ lbs/hr}) * (1700 \text{ hrs/yr}) * (0.0005 \text{ tons/lb}) =$	0.03 TPY

Aggregate & RAP Conveyor Transfer [SCC 3-05-020-06]

Process Rate: 600 tons/hour
 Number of Transfers: 7 Transfers
 Operating Hours: 1700 hours/year

PM Emissions (controlled):

Emission Factor	0.00014 lbs/ton transferred [AP-42 Table 11.19.2-2, 8/04]	
Calculations	$(0.00014 \text{ lbs/ton}) * (600 \text{ tons/hr}) * (7 \text{ Transfers}) =$	0.59 lbs/hr
	$(0.59 \text{ lbs/hr}) * (1700 \text{ hrs/year}) * (0.0005 \text{ lbs/ton}) =$	0.50 TPY

PM₁₀ Emissions (controlled):

Emission Factor	0.000046 lbs/ton transferred [AP-42 Table 11.19.2-2, 8/04]	
Calculations	$(0.00005 \text{ lbs/ton}) * (600 \text{ tons/hr}) * (7 \text{ Transfers}) =$	0.19 lbs/hr
	$(0.19 \text{ lbs/hr}) * (1700 \text{ hrs/year}) * (0.0005 \text{ lbs/ton}) =$	0.16 TPY

PM_{2.5} Emissions (controlled):

Emission Factor	0.000013 lbs/ton transferred [AP-42 Table 11.19.2-2, 8/04]	
Calculations	$(0.000013 \text{ lbs/ton}) * (600 \text{ tons/hr}) * (7 \text{ Transfers}) =$	0.05 lbs/hr
	$(0.05 \text{ lbs/hr}) * (1700 \text{ hrs/year}) * (0.0005 \text{ lbs/ton}) =$	0.05 TPY

Asphalt Storage & Silo Filling [SCC 3-05-002-13]

Process Rate: 600 tons/hour

Operating Schedule: 1700 tons/year

Particulate Emissions (uncontrolled):

Emission Factor $EF = 0.000332 + 0.00105(-V)e^{(0.0251)(T+460)-20.43}$ [AP-42 Table 11.1-14, 3/04]
where: EF, Emission Factor = lbs emitted / ton HMA produced
V, Asphalt Volatility = -0.05 [Default value AP-42 Table 11.1-14, 3/04]
T, HMA temperature = 325°F [Default value AP-42 Table 11.1-14, 3/04]

PM Emissions:

Emission Factor $EF = 0.000332 + 0.00105 * (0.05) * e^{(0.0251) * (325 + 460) - 20.43} = 0.00059$ lbs/ton HMA
Calculations $(0.00059 \text{ lbs/ton}) * (600 \text{ tons/hr}) = 0.35$ lbs/hr
 $(0.35 \text{ lbs/hr}) * (1700 \text{ tons/year}) * (0.0005 \text{ lbs/ton}) = 0.30$ TPY

PM₁₀ Emissions:

Emission Factor $EF = 0.000332 + 0.00105 * (0.05) * e^{(0.0251) * (325 + 460) - 20.43} = 0.00059$ lbs/ton HMA
Calculations $(0.00059 \text{ lbs/ton}) * (600 \text{ tons/hr}) = 0.35$ lbs/hr
 $(0.35 \text{ lbs/hr}) * (1700 \text{ tons/year}) * (0.0005 \text{ lbs/ton}) = 0.30$ TPY

PM_{2.5} Emissions:

Emission Factor $EF = 0.000332 + 0.00105 * (0.05) * e^{(0.0251) * (325 + 460) - 20.43} = 0.00059$ lbs/ton HMA
Calculations $(0.00059 \text{ lbs/ton}) * (600 \text{ tons/hr}) = 0.35$ lbs/hr
 $(0.35 \text{ lbs/hr}) * (1700 \text{ tons/year}) * (0.0005 \text{ lbs/ton}) = 0.30$ TPY

CO Emissions (uncontrolled):

Emission Factor $EF = 0.00488(-V)e^{(0.0251)(T+460)-20.43}$ [AP-42 Table 11.1-14, 3/04]
where: EF, Emission Factor = lbs Emitted / ton Processed
V, Asphalt Volatility = -0.05 [Default value AP-42 Table 11.1-14, 3/04]
T, HMA temperature = 325°F [Default value AP-42 Table 11.1-14, 3/04]

CO Emissions (uncontrolled):

Emission Factor $EF = 0.00488 * (0.05) * e^{(0.0251) * (325 + 460) - 20.43} = 0.0012$ lbs/ton HMA
Calculations $(0.0012 \text{ lbs/ton}) * (600 \text{ tons/hr}) = 0.71$ lbs/hr
 $(0.71 \text{ lbs/hr}) * (1700 \text{ tons/year}) * (0.0005 \text{ lbs/ton}) = 0.60$ TPY

VOC Emissions (uncontrolled):

Emission Factor $EF = 0.0504(-V)e^{(0.0251)(T+460)-20.43}$ [AP-42 Table 11.1-14, 3/04]
where: EF, Emission Factor = lbs Emitted / ton Processed
V, Asphalt Volatility = -0.05 [Default value AP-42 Table 11.1-14, 3/04]
T, HMA temperature = 325°F [Default value AP-42 Table 11.1-14, 3/04]

VOC Emissions (uncontrolled):

Emission Factor $EF = 0.0504 * (0.05) * e^{(0.0251) * (325 + 460) - 20.43} = 0.0122$ lbs/ton HMA
Calculations $(0.0122 \text{ lbs/ton}) * (600 \text{ tons/hr}) = 7.31$ lbs/hr
 $(7.31 \text{ lbs/hr}) * (1700 \text{ tons/year}) * (0.0005 \text{ lbs/ton}) = 6.22$ TPY

Asphalt Plant Load-Out [SCC 3-05-002-14]

Process Rate: 600 tons/hour
Operating Schedule: 1700 hours/year

Particulate Emissions (uncontrolled):

Emission Factor $EF = 0.000181 + 0.00141(-V)e^{((0.0251)(T+460)-20.43)}$ [AP-42 Table 11.1-14, 3/04]
where: EF, Emission Factor = lbs emitted / ton HMA produced
V, Asphalt Volatility = -0.05 [Default value AP-42 Table 11.1-14, 3/04]
T, HMA temperature = 325°F [Default value AP-42 Table 11.1-14, 3/04]

PM Emissions:

Emission Factor $EF = 0.000181 + 0.00141 * (0.05) * e^{((0.0251) * (325 + 460) - 20.43)} = 0.00052$ lbs/ton HMA
Calculations $(0.00052 \text{ lbs/ton}) * (600 \text{ tons/hr}) = 0.31$ lbs/hr
 $(0.31 \text{ lbs/hr}) * (1700 \text{ tons/year}) * (0.0005 \text{ lbs/ton}) = 0.27$ TPY

PM₁₀ Emissions:

Emission Factor $EF = 0.000181 + 0.00141 * (0.05) * e^{((0.0251) * (325 + 460) - 20.43)} = 0.00052$ lbs/ton HMA
Calculations $(0.00052 \text{ lbs/ton}) * (600 \text{ tons/hr}) = 0.31$ lbs/hr
 $(0.31 \text{ lbs/hr}) * (1700 \text{ tons/year}) * (0.0005 \text{ lbs/ton}) = 0.27$ TPY

PM_{2.5} Emissions:

Emission Factor $EF = 0.000181 + 0.00141 * (0.05) * e^{((0.0251) * (325 + 460) - 20.43)} = 0.00052$ lbs/ton HMA
Calculations $(0.00052 \text{ lbs/ton}) * (600 \text{ tons/hr}) = 0.31$ lbs/hr
 $(0.31 \text{ lbs/hr}) * (1700 \text{ tons/year}) * (0.0005 \text{ lbs/ton}) = 0.27$ TPY

CO Emissions (uncontrolled):

Emission Factor $EF = 0.00558(-V)e^{((0.0251)(T+460)-20.43)}$ [AP-42 Table 11.1-14, 3/04]
where: EF, Emission Factor = lbs Emitted / ton Processed
V, Asphalt Volatility = -0.05 [Default value AP-42 Table 11.1-14, 3/04]
T, HMA temperature = 325°F [Default value AP-42 Table 11.1-14, 3/04]

CO Emissions:

Emission Factor $EF = 0.00558 * (0.05) * e^{((0.0251) * (325 + 460) - 20.43)} = 0.00135$ lbs/ton HMA
Calculations $(0.00135 \text{ lbs/ton}) * (600 \text{ tons/hr}) = 0.81$ lbs/hr
 $(0.81 \text{ lbs/hr}) * (1700 \text{ tons/year}) * (0.0005 \text{ lbs/ton}) = 0.69$ TPY

VOC Emissions (uncontrolled):

Emission Factor $EF = 0.0172(-V)e^{((0.0251)(T+460)-20.43)}$ [AP-42 Table 11.1-14, 3/04]
where: EF, Emission Factor = lbs Emitted / ton Processed
V, Asphalt Volatility = -0.05 [Default value AP-42 Table 11.1-14, 3/04]
T, HMA temperature = 325°F [Default value AP-42 Table 11.1-14, 3/04]

VOC Emissions:

Emission Factor $EF = 0.0172 * (0.05) * e^{((0.0251) * (325 + 460) - 20.43)} = 0.00416$ lbs/ton HMA produced
Calculations $(0.00416 \text{ lbs/ton}) * (600 \text{ tons/hr}) = 2.50$ lbs/hr
 $(2.50 \text{ lbs/hr}) * (1700 \text{ tons/year}) * (0.0005 \text{ lbs/ton}) = 2.12$ TPY

Diesel Generator Engines [SCC 2-02-001-02]

Primary Diesel-Fired Generator Set (Asphalt Plant & Production Power Supply)

Engine Rating: 2000 bhp [Design Maximum Output]
 Fuel Input: 14.00 MMBtu/hr [BSFC →7,000 Btu/hp-hr]
 102.2 gallons/hour [Estimated →19,300 Btu/lb]
 Hours of Operation: 1700 hours/year

Particulate Emissions (uncontrolled):

PM Emissions:

Emission Factor	0.0022 lb/hp-hr	[AP-42 3.3-1, 10/96]	
Calculations	$(0.0022 \text{ lb/hp-hr}) * (2000 \text{ hp}) =$		4.40 lbs/hr
	$(4.40 \text{ lbs/hr}) * (1700 \text{ hrs/yr}) * (0.0005 \text{ tons/lb}) =$		3.74 TPY

PM₁₀ Emissions:

Emission Factor	0.0022 lb/hp-hr	[AP-42 3.3-1, 10/96]	
Calculations	$(0.0022 \text{ lb/hp-hr}) * (2000 \text{ hp}) =$		4.40 lbs/hr
	$(4.40 \text{ lbs/hr}) * (1700 \text{ hrs/yr}) * (0.0005 \text{ tons/lb}) =$		3.74 TPY

PM_{2.5} Emissions (filterable):

Emission Factor	0.0479 lb/hp-hr	[AP-42 3.3-1, 10/96]	
Calculations	$(0.0479 \text{ lb/MMBtu}) * (396.00 \text{ MMBtu/hr}) =$		0.67 lbs/hr
	$(0.67 \text{ lbs/hr}) * (1700 \text{ hrs/yr}) * (0.0005 \text{ tons/lb}) =$		0.57 TPY

PM_{2.5} Emissions (condensable):

Emission Factor	0.0077 lb/MMBtu	[AP-42 3.4-2, 10/96]	
Calculations	$(0.0077 \text{ lb/MMBtu}) * (14 \text{ MMBtu/hr}) =$		0.11 lbs/hr
	$(0.11 \text{ lbs/hr}) * (1700 \text{ hrs/yr}) * (0.0005 \text{ tons/lb}) =$		0.09 TPY

CO Emissions (controlled):

Emission Factor	0.00668 lb/hp-hr	[AP-42 3.3-1, 10/96]	
Calculations	$(0.00668 \text{ lb/hp-hr}) * (2000 \text{ hp}) =$		13.36 lbs/hr
	$(13.36 \text{ lbs/hr}) * (1700 \text{ hrs/yr}) * (0.0005 \text{ tons/lb}) =$		11.36 TPY

NOx Emissions (uncontrolled):

Emission Factor	0.031 lb/hp-hr	[AP-42 3.3-1, 10/96]	
Calculations	$(0.031 \text{ lb/hp-hr}) * (2000 \text{ hp}) =$		62.00 lbs/hr
	$(62.00 \text{ lbs/hr}) * (1700 \text{ hrs/yr}) * (0.0005 \text{ tons/lb}) =$		52.70 TPY

SO₂ Emissions (uncontrolled):

Emission Factor	0.00205 lb/hp-hr	[AP-42 3.3-1, 10/96]	
Calculations	$(0.0021 \text{ lb/hp-hr}) * (2000 \text{ hp}) =$		4.10 lbs/hr
	$(4.10 \text{ lbs/hr}) * (1700 \text{ hrs/yr}) * (0.0005 \text{ tons/lb}) =$		3.49 TPY

VOC Emissions (uncontrolled):

Emission Factor	0.002514 lb/hp-hr	[AP-42 3.3-1, 10/96]	
Calculations	$(0.0025 \text{ lb/hp-hr}) * (2000 \text{ hp}) =$		5.03 lbs/hr
	$(5.03 \text{ lbs/hr}) * (1700 \text{ hrs/yr}) * (0.0005 \text{ tons/lb}) =$		4.27 TPY

Secondary Diesel-Fired Generator Set (Non-Production Power Supply)

Engine Rating: 75 bhp [Design Maximum Output]
 Fuel Input: 0.53 MMBtu/hr [BSFC →7,000 Btu/hp-hr]
 3.8 gallons/hour [Estimated →19,300 Btu/lb]
 Hours of Operation: 8760 hours/year

Particulate Emissions(uncontrolled):

PM Emissions:

Emission Factor	0.0022 lb/hp-hr	[AP-42 3.3-1, 10/96]	
Calculations	(0.0022 lb/hp-hr) * (75 hp) =		0.17 lbs/hr
	(0.17 lbs/hr) * (8760 hrs/yr) * (0.0005 tons/lb) =		0.72 TPY

PM₁₀ Emissions:

Emission Factor	0.0022 lb/hp-hr	[AP-42 3.3-1, 10/96]	
Calculations	(0.0022 lb/hp-hr) * (75 hp) =		0.17 lbs/hr
	(0.17 lbs/hr) * (8760 hrs/yr) * (0.0005 tons/lb) =		0.72 TPY

PM_{2.5} Emissions (filterable):

Emission Factor	0.0479 lb/MMBtu	[AP-42 3.4-2, 10/96]	
Calculations	(0.0479 lb/MMBtu) * (0.525 MMBtu/hr) =		0.03 lbs/hr
	(0.03 lbs/hr) * (8760 hrs/yr) * (0.0005 tons/lb) =		0.11 TPY

PM_{2.5} Emissions (condensable):

Emission Factor	0.0077 lb/MMBtu	[AP-42 3.4-2, 10/96]	
Calculations	(0.0077 lb/MMBtu) * (0.525 MMBtu/hr) =		0.00 lbs/hr
	(0.00 lbs/hr) * (8760 hrs/yr) * (0.0005 tons/lb) =		0.02 TPY

CO Emissions (uncontrolled):

Emission Factor	0.00668 lb/hp-hr	[AP-42 3.3-1, 10/96]	
Calculations	(0.00668 lb/hp-hr) * (75 hp) =		0.50 lbs/hr
	(0.50 lbs/hr) * (8760 hrs/yr) * (0.0005 tons/lb) =		2.19 TPY

NOx Emissions (uncontrolled):

Emission Factor	0.031 lb/hp-hr	[AP-42 3.3-1, 10/96]	
Calculations	(0.031 lb/hp-hr) * (75 hp) =		2.33 lbs/hr
	(2.33 lbs/hr) * (8760 hrs/yr) * (0.0005 tons/lb) =		10.18 TPY

SO₂ Emissions (uncontrolled):

Emission Factor	0.00205 lb/hp-hr	[AP-42 3.3-1, 10/96]	
Calculations	(0.0021 lb/hp-hr) * (75 hp) =		0.15 lbs/hr
	(0.15 lbs/hr) * (8760 hrs/yr) * (0.0005 tons/lb) =		0.67 TPY

VOC Emissions (uncontrolled):

Emission Factor	0.002514 lb/hp-hr	[AP-42 3.3-1, 10/96]	
Calculations	(0.0025 lb/hp-hr) * (75 hp) =		0.19 lbs/hr
	(0.19 lbs/hr) * (8760 hrs/yr) * (0.0005 tons/lb) =		0.83 TPY

Unpaved Roadways (Haul Roads) - Secondary Emissions

Miles Travelled: 5 Miles/Day [Estimate]
 Vehicle Weight: 50 Tons [Mean Vehicle Weight Empty/Full]

Control Method: Water Application

Control Efficiency (C_e): 50%

Particulate Emissions (controlled):

Emission Factor	$EF = k(s/12)^a * (W/3)^b$	[AP-42 13.2.2.2, 11/06]
	where: EF, Emission Factor = lbs Emitted Per Vehicle Mile Traveled (VMT)	
	k, Empirical Constant PM =	4.9 [AP-42 Table 13.2.2-2, 11/06]
	k, Empirical Constant PM ₁₀ =	1.5 [AP-42 Table 13.2.2-2, 11/06]
	k, Empirical Constant PM _{2.5} =	0.15 [AP-42 Table 13.2.2-2, 11/06]
	s, Surface Material Silt Content (%) =	7.1 [AP-42 Table 13.2.2-1, 11/06]
	W, Mean Vehicle Weight (tons) =	50 [Applicant Provided Data]
	a, Empirical Constant PM =	0.7 [AP-42 Table 13.2.2-2, 11/06]
	a, Empirical Constant PM ₁₀ /PM _{2.5} =	0.9 [AP-42 Table 13.2.2-2, 11/06]
	b, Empirical Constant PM - PM _{2.5} =	0.45 [AP-42 Table 13.2.2-2, 11/06]

PM Emissions:

Emission Factor	$EF = 4.9 * (7.1/12)^{0.7} * (50/3)^{0.45} =$	12.04 lbs/VMT
Calculations	$(12.04 \text{ lbs/VMT}) * (5 \text{ miles/day}) * (1 - 0.5 C_e) =$	30.09 lbs/day
	$(30.09 \text{ lbs/day}) * (365 \text{ days/yr}) * (0.0005 \text{ tons/lb}) =$	5.49 TPY

PM₁₀ Emissions:

Emission Factor	$EF = 1.5 * (7.1/12)^{0.9} * (50/3)^{0.45} =$	3.32 lbs/VMT
Calculations	$(3.32 \text{ lbs/VMT}) * (5 \text{ miles/day}) * (1 - 0.5 C_e) =$	8.29 lbs/day
	$(8.29 \text{ lbs/day}) * (365 \text{ days/yr}) * (0.0005 \text{ tons/lb}) =$	1.51 TPY

PM_{2.5} Emissions:

Emission Factor	$EF = 0.15 * (7.1/12)^{0.9} * (50/3)^{0.45} =$	0.33 lbs/VMT
Calculations	$(0.33 \text{ lbs/VMT}) * (5 \text{ miles/day}) * (1 - 0.5 C_e) =$	0.83 lbs/day
	$(0.83 \text{ lbs/day}) * (365 \text{ days/yr}) * (0.0005 \text{ tons/lb}) =$	0.15 TPY

V. Existing Air Quality

The initial location (Section 11, Township 24 North, Range 59 East in Richland County, Montana) and those areas for which this facility is permitted to operate under MAQP #4929-00 has been designated unclassified/attainment with all ambient air quality standards and there are no major air pollution sources in the surrounding area. MAQP #4929-00 applies while operating at any location in Montana, except those areas having a Department-approved permitting program, areas considered tribal lands, or areas in or within 10 km of certain PM₁₀ nonattainment areas. *A Missoula County air quality permit will be required for locations within Missoula County, Montana.* An addendum will be required for locations in or within 10 km of certain PM₁₀ nonattainment areas.

VI. Air Quality Impacts

MAQP #4929-00 covers operation of this asphalt plant while operating in areas within Montana that are classified as attainment or unclassifiable with federal ambient air quality standards, excluding counties that have a Department-approved permitting program and areas that are tribal lands. This permit contains conditions and limitations that would protect air quality, and will limit the facility's emissions below the major source threshold. Furthermore, this facility is a

portable source that would operate on an intermittent and temporary basis, so any effects to air quality will be minor and of limited duration.

VII. Ambient Air Impact Analysis

The Department determined that there will be no significant impact from this permit action because this permitting action is considered an administrative action. Furthermore, the Department believes that the amount of emissions generated by this project will not exceed any set ambient standard.

VIII. Taking or Damaging Implication Analysis

As required by 2-10-105, MCA, the Department conducted the following private property taking and damaging assessment.

YES	NO	
✓		1. Does the action pertain to land or water management or environmental regulation affecting private real property or water rights?
	✓	2. Does the action result in either a permanent or indefinite physical occupation of private property?
	✓	3. Does the action deny a fundamental attribute of ownership? (ex.: right to exclude others, disposal of property)
	✓	4. Does the action deprive the owner of all economically viable uses of the property?
	✓	5. Does the action require a property owner to dedicate a portion of property or to grant an easement? [If no, go to (6)].
		5a. Is there a reasonable, specific connection between the government requirement and legitimate state interests?
		5b. Is the government requirement roughly proportional to the impact of the proposed use of the property?
	✓	6. Does the action have a severe impact on the value of the property? (consider economic impact, investment-backed expectations, character of government action)
	✓	7. Does the action damage the property by causing some physical disturbance with respect to the property in excess of that sustained by the public generally?
	✓	7a. Is the impact of government action direct, peculiar, and significant?
	✓	7b. Has government action resulted in the property becoming practically inaccessible, waterlogged or flooded?
	✓	7c. Has government action lowered property values by more than 30% and necessitated the physical taking of adjacent property or property across a public way from the property in question?
	✓	Takings or damaging implications? (Taking or damaging implications exist if YES is checked in response to question 1 and also to any one or more of the following questions: 2, 3, 4, 6, 7a, 7b, 7c; or if NO is checked in response to questions 5a or 5b; the shaded areas)

Based on this analysis, the Department determined there are no taking or damaging implications associated with this permit action.

IX. Environmental Assessment

An environmental assessment, required by the Montana Environmental Policy Act, was completed for this project. A copy is attached.

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FINAL ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT (EA)

Issued To: River Basin Contracting

Montana Air Quality Permit number: 4929-00

Preliminary Determination Issued: 06/13/2013

Department Decision Issued: 07/16/2013

Permit Final: 08/01/2013

1. **Legal Description of Site:** River Basin Contracting (River Basin) proposes to operate a portable drum mix asphalt plant, which would initially be located in Section 11, Township 24 North, Range 59 East in Richland County, Montana. However, Montana Air Quality Permit (MAQP) #4929-00 would apply while operating at any location in Montana, except those areas having a Department of Environmental Quality (Department)-approved permitting program, areas considered tribal lands, or areas in or within 10 kilometers (km) of certain particulate matter with an aerodynamic diameter of ten microns or less (PM₁₀) nonattainment areas.
2. **Description of Project:** River Basin would operate a portable drum hot-mix asphalt plant and associated equipment with a 600 ton per hour (TPH) maximum production capacity. The facility will be powered by two diesel-fired generator sets with a combined capacity of up to 2,075 brake-horsepower (bhp).
3. **Objectives of Project:** The objective of this project would be to produce revenue for River Basin through the sale and use of asphalt. The issuance of the permit would allow River Basin to operate the permitted equipment at various locations throughout Montana, including the initial site location.
4. **Alternatives Considered:** In addition to the proposed action, the Department also considered the “no-action” alternative. The “no-action” alternative would deny issuance of the air quality preconstruction permit to the proposed facility. However, the Department does not consider the “no-action” alternative to be appropriate because River Basin has demonstrated compliance with all applicable rules and regulations as required for permit issuance. Therefore, the “no-action” alternative was eliminated from further consideration.
5. **A Listing of Mitigation, Stipulations, and Other Controls:** A list of enforceable conditions, including a BACT analysis, would be included in MAQP #4929-00.
6. **Regulatory Effects on Private Property:** The Department considered alternatives to the conditions imposed in this permit as part of the permit development. The Department determined that the permit conditions are reasonably necessary to ensure compliance with applicable requirements and demonstrate compliance with those requirements and do not unduly restrict private property rights.

7. The following table summarizes the potential physical and biological effects of the proposed project on the human environment. The “no action alternative” was discussed previously.

		Major	Moderate	Minor	None	Unknown	Comments Included
A	Terrestrial and Aquatic Life and Habitats			✓			Yes
B	Water Quality, Quantity, and Distribution			✓			Yes
C	Geology and Soil Quality, Stability and Moisture			✓			Yes
D	Vegetation Cover, Quantity, and Quality			✓			Yes
E	Aesthetics			✓			Yes
F	Air Quality			✓			Yes
G	Unique Endangered, Fragile, or Limited Environmental Resources				✓		Yes
H	Demands on Environmental Resource of Water, Air and Energy			✓			Yes
I	Historical and Archaeological Sites				✓		Yes
J	Cumulative and Secondary Impacts			✓			Yes

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS ON POTENTIAL PHYSICAL AND BIOLOGICAL EFFECTS:

The following comments have been prepared by the Department.

A. Terrestrial and Aquatic Life and Habitats

This permitting action would be expected to have a minor effect on terrestrial and aquatic life and habitats, as the proposed initial location is within an existing gravel pit. Furthermore, the air emissions would likely have only minor effects on terrestrial and aquatic life because facility emissions would be well dispersed in the area of the operations (see Section 7.F of this EA) and would have intermittent and seasonal operations. Therefore, only minor and temporary effects to terrestrial and aquatic life and habitat would be expected from the proposed project.

B. Water Quality, Quantity, and Distribution

Water would be required for dust suppression on the aggregate processing equipment and surrounding facility areas, including haul roads. This water use would be expected to only cause minor, if any, impacts to water resources because the facility is small and only a small volume of water would be required to be used. In addition, the facility would emit air pollutants, and corresponding deposition of pollutants would occur, as described in Section 7.F. of this EA. The site is in an existing open-cut mine where water runoff would be more readily controlled. However, the Department determined that, due to dispersion characteristics of pollutants and conditions that would be placed in MAQP #4929-00, any impacts from deposition of pollutants on water quality, quantity, and distribution from the project would expect to be minor.

C. Geology and Soil Quality, Stability, and Moisture

Only minor impacts from deposition of air pollutants on soils would likely result (as described in Section 7.F of this EA) and only minor amounts of water would be used for pollution control, and only as necessary, in controlling particulate emissions. Thus, only

minimal water runoff would likely occur. Since only minor amounts of pollution would be expected and corresponding emissions would be widely dispersed before settling upon surrounding soils and vegetation (as described in Section 7.D of this EA), impacts would be minor. Therefore, any effects upon geology and soil quality, stability, and moisture from air pollutant emissions from equipment operations would likely be minor and short-lived.

D. Vegetation Cover, Quantity, and Quality

Only minor impacts would be expected to occur with respect to vegetative cover, quality, and quantity because the facility would operate in an area where vegetation has been previously disturbed. During operations, the facility would likely be a relatively minor source of emissions and the pollutants widely dispersed (as described in Section 7.F of this EA); therefore, deposition on vegetation from the proposed project would expect to be minor. Also, due to limited water usage (as described in Section 7.B of this EA) and minimal associated soil disturbance from the application of water and water runoff (as described in Section 7.C of this EA), corresponding vegetative impacts would likely be minor.

E. Aesthetics

The facility would be visible and would create noise while operating the proposed equipment at the site. However, the proposed initial location is within an existing active gravel pit. Further, MAQP #4929-00 would include conditions to control emissions, including visible emissions, from the plant. The facility would operate on an intermittent and seasonal basis, and would be a small industrial source. Therefore, any visual aesthetic impacts would be short-lived and are expected to be minor.

F. Air Quality

Air quality impacts from the proposed project would likely be minor because the facility would be relatively small and operate on an intermittent and temporary basis. MAQP #4929-00 includes conditions requiring reasonable precautions to minimize particulate emissions and to limit the facility's production capacity. These limitations reduce source's potential to emit to below the major source threshold level of 100 tons per year (tpy) for any pollutant. Pollutant deposition from the facility would expect to be minimal because the pollutants emitted are widely dispersed (from factors such as wind speed and wind direction) and exhibit minimal deposition on the surrounding area. Therefore, air quality impacts from operating the crushing facility in this area would be expected to be minor.

G. Unique Endangered, Fragile, or Limited Environmental Resources

The Department, in an effort to assess any potential impacts to any unique endangered, fragile, or limited environmental resources in the initial proposed area of operation (Section 11, Township 24 North, Range 59 East in Richland County, Montana), contacted the Natural Resource Information System – Montana Natural Heritage Program. Search results concluded there was one species of concern within the area, identified species was the Whooping Crane. The search area, in this case, is defined by the section, township, and range of the proposed site, with an additional one (1) mile buffer. Based on the conclusion presented, the Department determined that no impact to unique endangered, fragile, or limited environmental resources would be expected from this permit action as the initial proposed site is within an existing gravel pit.

H. Demands on Environmental Resources of Water, Air, and Energy

Due to the relatively small size of the project, only small demands on environmental resources would likely be required for proper operation. Only small quantities of water are required for dust suppression of particulate emissions being generated at the site. In addition, impacts to air resources would be expected to be minor because the source would be considered a minor industrial source of emissions, with intermittent and seasonal operations, and because air pollutants generated by the facility would be widely dispersed as described in Section 7.F of this EA. Energy requirements would also be small, as the diesel engines would use small amounts of fuel. Overall, any impacts to water, air, and energy resources would likely be minor.

I. Historical and Archaeological Sites

The Department contacted the Montana Historical Society - State Historical Preservation Office (SHPO) in an effort to identify any historical and/or archaeological sites that may be present in the location of the facility. According to correspondence from the Montana State Historic Preservation Office, no previously recorded sites within the designated search areas. As this plant will likely operate in an existing industrial site there is low likelihood of disturbance to any known archaeological or historic site given previous industrial disturbance in the area. Therefore, it is unlikely that the crushing/screening operation would have an effect on any known historic or archaeological sites.

J. Cumulative and Secondary Impacts

The operation of the crushing and screening equipment would likely cause minor cumulative and secondary impacts to the physical and biological aspects of the human environment because the facility would be limited in the amount of emissions allowed to be released to the atmosphere. Emissions and noise generated from the equipment would likely result in only minor impacts to the area, as the facility would be seasonal and temporary. The proposed project would be short-term in nature, and likely have minor cumulative effects upon resources within the area. These resources include water, terrestrial and aquatic life, soils, and vegetation. Overall, cumulative and secondary impacts to the physical and biological aspects of the human environment would likely be minor.

8. The following table summarizes the potential economic and social effects of the proposed project on the human environment. The “no-action” alternative was discussed previously.

		Major	Moderate	Minor	None	Unknown	Comments Included
A	Social Structures and Mores				✓		Yes
B	Cultural Uniqueness and Diversity				✓		Yes
C	Local and State Tax Base and Tax Revenue			✓			Yes
D	Agricultural or Industrial Production			✓			Yes
E	Human Health			✓			Yes
F	Access to and Quality of Recreational and Wilderness Activities				✓		Yes
G	Quantity and Distribution of Employment				✓		Yes
H	Distribution of Population				✓		Yes
I	Demands for Government Services			✓			Yes
J	Industrial and Commercial Activity			✓			Yes
K	Locally Adopted Environmental Plans and Goals			✓			Yes
L	Cumulative and Secondary Impacts			✓			Yes

SUMMARY OF COMMENTS ON POTENTIAL ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL EFFECTS: The following comments have been prepared by the Department.

A. Social Structures and Mores

The operation of this hot-mix asphalt plant facility would not expect to cause any disruption to the social structures and mores in the area because the source would be a minor industrial source located within an existing industrial area that would only have temporary and intermittent operations. The Department has determined that no impact to the social structure and mores would be expected.

B. Cultural Uniqueness and Diversity

The cultural uniqueness and diversity of this area would not likely be impacted by the operation of the proposed facility as the initial location proposed is within an existing gravel pit and would be intermittent and temporary operation. Therefore, there would not be any impacts expected to the cultural uniqueness and diversity of this.

C. Local and State Tax Base and Tax Revenue

The operation of the facility would likely have little, if any, impact on the local and state tax base and tax revenue because the facility would be a minor industrial source of emissions and would have seasonal and intermittent operations. No additional employees are required as a result of this project. Thus, only minor impacts to the local and state tax base and revenue would be expected from the employees and facility production. Furthermore, the impacts to local tax base and revenue would expect to be minor because the source would be portable and the money generated for taxes would be widespread.

D. Agricultural or Industrial Production

The operation of this plant would have only a minor impact on local agricultural or industrial production since the facility would be a minor source. Because minimal deposition of air pollutants would occur on the surrounding land (as described in Section 7.F of this EA), only minor and temporary effects on the surrounding vegetation (i.e. agricultural production) would occur. In addition, the facility operations would be small and temporary in nature and would be permitted with operational conditions and limitations that would minimize impacts upon surrounding vegetation, as described in Section 7.D of this EA.

E. Human Health

MAQP #4929-00 would incorporate conditions to ensure that the facility would operate in compliance with all applicable air quality rules and standards. These rules and standards are designed to be protective of human health. As described in Section 7.F. of this EA, the air emissions from this facility would be minimized by the use of water spray and other operational limits that would be required by MAQP #4929-00. Also, the facility would be operating on a temporary basis and pollutants would disperse from the ventilation of emissions at this site (see Section 7.F of this EA). Therefore, only minor impacts would be expected on human health from the proposed project.

F. Access to and Quality of Recreational and Wilderness Activities

Based on information received from River Basin, no recreational activities or wilderness areas are near the proposed project site. Therefore, no impacts to the access to and quality of recreational and wilderness activities would be expected.

G. Quantity and Distribution of Employment

The increase production capacity resulting from this modification will not require additional employees to operate; furthermore, the operation of this plant would have only seasonal and intermittent operations. No individuals would be expected to permanently relocate to this area of operation as a result of expanded facility operations. Therefore, no effects upon the quantity and distribution of employment in this area would be expected.

H. Distribution of Population

The operation is a portable industrial facility that would only require a limited number of employees. No individuals would be expected to permanently relocate to this area as a result of this expansion. Therefore, the facility would not likely impact the normal population distribution in the initial area of operation or any future operating site.

I. Demands of Government Services

No increase in traffic on existing roadways in the area while the facility is expected from this expansion. Government services would be required for acquiring the appropriate permits for the proposed project and to verify compliance with the permits that would be issued. However, demands for government services would be expected to be minor.

J. Industrial and Commercial Activity

The operation of the new equipment would represent only a minor increase in the industrial activity in the proposed area of operation because the source would be a relatively small industrial source that would be portable and temporary in nature. Furthermore, the industrial

activity associated with this plant will occur within an existing industrial site. Therefore, only limited additional industrial or commercial activity would be expected as a result of the proposed operation.

K. Locally Adopted Environmental Plans and Goals

River Basin would be allowed, by MAQP #4929-00, to operate in areas designated by the United States Environmental Protection Agency as attainment or unclassified for ambient air quality. The Department is not aware of any locally adopted environmental plans and goals within the initial project area. Because the proposed equipment would be a portable source with only minor emissions, any impacts to any locally adopted environmental plans from the project would be expected to be minor and temporary.

L. Cumulative and Secondary Impacts

The operation of the facility would cause only minor cumulative and secondary impacts to the social and economic aspects of the human environment in the immediate area of operation because the source would be a portable and temporary source. Because the source is relatively small and temporary, only minor economic impacts to the local economy would be expected from operating the facility. Further, this facility may be operated in conjunction with other equipment owned and operated by River Basin, but any cumulative impacts upon the social and economic aspects of the human environment would likely be minor and short-lived. Thus, only minor and temporary cumulative effects would be expected to the local economy.

Recommendation: No Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is required.

If an EIS is not required, explain why the EA is an appropriate level of analysis: The current permitting action is for the operation of a portable hot-mix asphalt plant; MAQP #4929-00 provides conditions and limitations to ensure the facility would operate in compliance with all applicable rules and regulations. In addition, there are no significant impacts associated with this proposal.

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