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Re: Permit Extension Request # CUP 2011-02, Lockwood Surface Boulder Collection Operation

To Whom It May Concern:

The Ogden River Restoration Project is a multifaceted project that implements river restoration measures to improve stream health functions in a 1.1 mile stretch of the Ogden River. The Project Purpose is to construct in-stream habitat features and restore aquatic and geomorphic functions of the Ogden River. This is accomplished by enhancing the riparian corridor, modifying the channel, creating interior floodplains, stabilizing banks, installing stormwater finishing areas, creating wetlands, removing extensive concrete and litter and installing concentrated recreation pathways.

RiverRestoration.org (project design consultants) implemented, as part of the design specification, criteria that determined "Acceptable Boulder Material". The boulder that met the criteria and was nearest in proximity was the material provided by Dan Lockwood. Ogden City is expeditiously trying to complete the project but as of recently has faced several challenges associated with the project. These challenges are attributed in-part to higher than normal flows, land acquisition, and other delays.

These factors have slowed the work of placing the boulders on the river project close to the intended placement areas, and opening new storage areas for the remaining boulders needed to complete the project. About 1800-2000 tons of boulders remain on the permit area. Ogden City will be unable to efficiently use them by hauling and dumping them close to the actual work site if hauled before March 29, 2011. Moving the stock pile from the permitted site to another off site project location will significantly increase the cost to the project. This cost is estimated at thirty thousand to forty thousand dollars. It is Ogden City's intent to have costs go toward river restoration and not to paying the contractor to move the boulders twice.

Ogden City therefore requests that the Permit closing date be extended a minimum of 60 days to allow completion of land/easement actions, and the creating of onsite storage by using boulders already hauled to the site and replacing them with the ones at the permit area.

Sincerely

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