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To: Field Managers
From: Acting State Director
Subject: Update of Mineral Material Prices

This memo transmits updated prices to charge for mineral material sales in Wyoming, effective immediately. The last statewide appraisal for mineral materials was completed in November of 2004. Our Wyoming BLM policy has been to conduct a new statewide appraisal every 2 years. The guidelines in the H-3630-1 Mineral Material Appraisal Handbook also suggest limiting use of comparable sales to those 2 years old or less. The current appraisal is a year and a half out of date. We have attempted to find qualified mineral appraisers within BLM to conduct a new appraisal, but the few appraisers are unavailable due to other work commitments. Therefore, we will have to contract an appraisal. Selection of a contractor will take a few months and our limited budget may require that appraisals for different materials be conducted in stages as money becomes available for each fiscal year. We do not expect those appraisals to be finalized before the end of FY 2008.

Our Washington office advises us that in cases where appraisals are not able to be completed, we should use the Producer Price Index (PPI) for that particular commodity. The national PPI for construction sand, gravel, and crushed stone has increased by 31.3 percent from November 2004 to March 2008 (the most current date available online). The PPI for crushed limestone has increased by 30.2 percent and the PPI for dimension stone has increased by 9.3 percent during that same time period. Therefore, we are raising the statewide mineral material prices by those amounts, for the commodities listed in Attachment 1. Please use these updated appraisal prices for future mineral material sales. These prices will remain in effect until the new appraisals are completed.

If you have any questions, please contact Ed Heffern in the Branch of Solid Minerals, Wyoming State Office, at 307-775-6259.

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1 Attachment:

1 - Mineral Material Royalty Rate Schedule by County – May 2008 (2 p.)

Attachment 1

Mineral Material Royalty Rate Schedule by County – May 2008

Construction Materials

Commodity	Old Price (Nov. 2004)	Updated
Price		
All Counties except Uinta and Teton		
Sand, gravel, riprap, crushed stone, and crushed limestone	\$0.50 / ton \$0.75 / cu yd	\$0.66 / ton \$0.98 / cu yd
Borrow/fill	\$0.35 / cu yd*	\$0.46 / cu yd*
Clinker (scoria)	\$0.50 / ton	\$0.66 / ton
ton		
cu yd **	\$0.53 / cu yd **	\$0.68 / cu yd **
Uinta County		
Sand, gravel, riprap, crushed stone, and crushed limestone	\$0.60 / ton \$0.90 / cu yd	\$0.79 / ton \$1.18 / cu yd
Borrow/ fill	\$0.35 / cu yd*	\$0.46 / cu yd*
Clinker (scoria)	\$0.60 / ton	\$0.79 / ton
ton		
cu yd**	\$0.63 / cu yd**	\$0.83 / cu yd**
Teton County by-case	Case-by-case	Case-

Decorative Stone Materials

All Counties except Teton		
Boulders	\$10 / ton	\$11 / ton
Moss Rock	\$10-\$20 / ton	\$11-\$22 / ton
Flagstone	\$10 / ton	\$11 / ton
Decorative Limestone	\$10 / ton	\$11 / ton
Teton County	Case-by-case	Case-by-case

*The rate for borrow/fill material is listed in cubic yards. To convert to tons, use the conversion factors listed below, from H-3890-1, BLM Handbook for Mineral Examiners.

Material	Pounds (Bank)	/	Cubic Yard (Loose)	% Swell
Earth, Dry Loam	2100		1550-1830	15-35
Earth, Moist	2700		2080-2250	20-30
Earth, Wet	3370		2700-2800	20-25
Earth, Sand and Gravel	3100		2640	18
Earth and Rock	2500-3200		1920-2460	30

**Clinker is less dense (1.05 tons per cubic yard) than sand and gravel (1.5 tons per cubic yard).