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**COGCC Inspector / TEP Contractor Discussion on Trail Ridge**1 message

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Hi Denise and Shawn,

We received a report that a COGCC Inspector had a conversation with one of our dirt contractors at the TR 41-32 pad earlier today. The Inspector asked the contractor what they were hauling / dumping at the location, and the contractor mistakenly replied that they were hauling "*top soil*" to the location. The contractor was actually performing maintenance on sediment traps in the Crystal Creek area, and mistakenly referred to the sediment trap clean-out material as *top soil*. We have several pads in this area that are being reclaimed this month, and we have historically used sediment trap clean out materials to supplement top soil (that is in very short supply in Trail Ridge) for any reclaims that may be going on in the local area. Chevron is the surface owner and is fully aware of this use and has approved of this practice.

We just wanted to shoot you guys a quick email to clarify that the material was not top soil that had been removed from any other location, but in fact, was simply clean sediment that had been removed as part of routine maintenance of sediment traps in the area. We just want to make sure that if this issue comes up in discussion with one of your inspectors, that you have the correct information.

Please let us know if you have any questions.

Have a great weekend.

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