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To Whom It May Concern:

Just west of Denver, Colorado, the Hayman Fire burned 137,000 acres in the summer of 2002. As part of the Hayman Fire Rehabilitation effort, the BAER team identified approximately 1500 acres of severely burned land that would benefit from aerial hydromulching.

The contract was awarded to Wildlands Inc., which functioned as a partnership between Wildlands, Inc. (represented by Bill Mast), Hydrograss Technologies (represented by Bob Arello), Pacific Erosion Control Systems, Ltd (represented by John Dawson), and Sun West Helicopters (represented by Brian Sallows).

From August 14, 2002 to September 15, 2002, the partnership completed aerial hydromulching on 1593 acres. Each partner contributed to the successful implementation of this project.

Mr. Bob Arello of Hydrograss Technologies was a subject matter expert for the hydromulch and polymer products. Based on his recommendations, only high quality materials were used for treating the Hayman Fire area. Mr. Arello determined the appropriate polymer needed for the soil conditions and developed the correct mixture of mulch, tackifier and polymer for our area. The polymer product was applied at no additional cost, demonstrating the integrity of this company and their desire to produce only quality work. Hydrograss Technologies also provided at least half of the machines needed to mix the mulch material.

I was very pleased with the product that we received and the expertise and professionalism of Mr. Arello and Hydrograss Technologies. I would highly recommend this company for future reclamation work.

If you have additional questions, I would be pleased to address them. I can be reached at 303-275-5625.

Sincerely,

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BAER team member

