

April 8, 2015

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COLORADO
Division of Reclamation,
Mining and Safety
Department of Natural Resources

1313 Sherman Street, Room 215
Denver, CO 80203

RE: Gold Basin Mine, Permit No. M-1992-045, Comments Regarding 112 Conversion Application

Dear Mr. Robinson:

On March 11, 2015 the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) received comments regarding the above referenced application from the Colorado Division of Water Resources (DWR). Please inform the Division of how the Applicant will respond to the jurisdictional issues presented by the DWR.

If you require additional information, or have questions or concerns, please contact me at the Division's Grand Junction Field Office.

Sincerely,



Dustin Czaplak

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Department of Natural Resources
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Enc: DWR comments dated March 11, 2015





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Office of the State Engineer
1313 Sherman St, Suite 818
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Response to Reclamation Permit Conversion Application Consideration

DATE: March 11, 2015
TO: Dustin M. Czapla, Environmental Protection Specialist
CC: Division 2 Office; District 11 Water Commissioner
FROM: Caleb Foy, P.E.
RE: Gold Basin Mine
Operator: Gold Basin, LLC
Contact: George Robinson, (303) 832-7664
Sec. 5, Twp. 12S, Rng. 80W, 6th P.M., Chaffee County

CONDITIONS FOR APPROVAL

- ☒ The proposed operation does not anticipate exposing groundwater. Therefore, exposure of ground water must not occur during or after mining operations. If stormwater is contained on-site, it must infiltrate into the ground or be released to the natural stream system within 72 hours, or all work must cease until a substitute water supply plan, or augmentation plan approved by water court, is obtained. Reclamation plans must ensure water will not be retained onsite for more than 72 hours unless an augmentation plan approved by water court is obtained.
- ☒ The proposed operation will consume water by: ☐ evaporation, ☐ dust control, ☐ reclamation, ☐ water removed in the mined product, ☒ processing, ☐ other:.

Prior to initiation of these uses of water, the applicant will need to document the source of water that will be utilized for the operation and confirm compliance through correspondence with this office.

COMMENTS: According to the application, water will be required for the proposed operation; however, no information was provided regarding the source/legality of water required for the proposed operation.





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Czapla - DNR, Dustin <dustin.czapla@state.co.us>

Comments for M-1992-045

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Foy - DNR, Caleb

Wed, Mar 11, 2015 at 6:16

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Cc: Steve Witte - DNR <steve.witte@state.co.us>, Brian Sutton - DNR
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Please find our comments, attached. Please note that the source of water to be used for the proposed operation was not explicitly referenced in the application; therefore, please have the applicant provide additional information regarding the source of water to be used in order for our office to confirm/deny compliance with Colorado Revised Statutes.

Sincerely,

Caleb Foy, P.E.

Water Resource Engineer



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