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Re: Smuggler Mine, Permit No. M-1995-097. C.D. # 16522
Request for Inspection to address Mine Closures and Reclamation.

Dear Dustin,

When we last talked I had mentioned that the remaining shaft enclosure was being finished and wanted to talk about the reclamation costs.

As of today we have significantly cleaned up the mine property and completed the enclosure that remained.

We have placed over 4,000 yds of additional cover material on the property for clean-up requirements along with the topsoil that was here the last time you inspected the site.

I would also like to address our historic structures that are in the reclamation plan to be removed. These buildings belong to New Smuggler Mine Company and with or without the reclamation we want them to remain.

If this permit was on Forest Service or Public lands I would understand.

However the buildings are a part of our property owned fee simple.

So I would like to discuss why they are included for removal.

Please give me a call or e-mail and let me know if you have any time coming up in June to get together on site and go through the review of our Permit and Bond amount.

I would also like to clear-up the request for cessation of operation.
With the new TR-1 approval, I feel we are no longer required to apply for cessation since
we now have a dual use permit for both Mining and Tourism.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,


Chris H. Preusch
President