



**COLORADO**

**Division of Reclamation,  
Mining and Safety**

Department of Natural Resources

1313 Sherman Street, Room 215  
Denver, CO 80203

November 30, 2015

Joe Brinton  
McClane Canyon Mining, LLC  
2352 N 7th Street, Unit C  
Grand Junction, CO 81501

**Re: McClane Canyon Mine (Permit No. C-1980-004)  
Technical Revision No. 17 (TR-17)  
Sediment Control Plan.**

Dear Mr. Brinton:

We have received your technical revision application to revise your permit to conduct coal mining in Colorado. Our initial review indicates that all preliminary items required by the Colorado Surface Coal Mining Reclamation Act, Section 34-33-101 *et seq.*, C.R.S., have been submitted. Thus, your application has been considered complete for the purposes of filing as of November 23, 2015. All review and comment periods as provided in the Act and the Regulations initiate from this date of filing.

Unless notification to the contrary accompanies this letter, the proposed newspaper advertisement submitted with the application has been found to be satisfactory. You should publish this advertisement as specified in Rule 2.08.4(6) of the Regulations. Proof of the publication of the advertisement must be filed with the Division as soon as available after the publication date.

Coincident with the publication, a copy of the revision application, less confidential items, must be filed for public inspection with the appropriate public office as specified by you in the notice. Any subsequent changes or additions to the application must also be made in this copy, at the same time it is submitted to the Division.

The Division has interpreted 30 CFR 746.18 to determine that this revision application does not constitute a Mining Plan Action, therefore a copy of the revision application materials need not be sent to the Office of Surface Mining for their review. Should, however, the revision change significantly during the course of the Division's review, the need for modification of your federal mine plan could at that time be deemed necessary.



The Division is currently reviewing your revision application to determine whether the items you have submitted are adequate in terms of meeting the requirements of the Act and Regulations. In accordance with Section 34-33-116(5) of the Act, a proposed decision approving or denying this application will be issued no later than January 22, 2016.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'ZT Trujillo', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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Environmental Protection Specialist  
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cc: Jim Stover, J.E. Stover & Associates  
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