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Division of Reclamation,
Mining and Safety

Department of Natural Resources

1313 Sherman Street, Room 215
Denver, CO 80203

March 14, 2017

Clifford Clark
7709 South Glencoe Way
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E-mail: geoman49@gmail.com

RE: Need for State Reclamation Permit, Clifford Clark, File No. M-2017-010

Dear Mr. Clark:

On February 7, 2017, the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) received your response to the Division's inquiry, RE: "Is It Mining". The Division has assigned File No. M-2017-010 to these proceedings; please display the file number on all subsequent communications.

The information you provided indicates you desire to conduct a surface mining operation within or nearby riparian areas located on USFS lands and more specifically in Park County. Recovered gold will be removed from site and sold.

The Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board (Board) has requested the Division make preliminary determinations regarding the need for a mined land reclamation permit. Based on the information provided in your response, it is the Division's determination the proposed project is a mining operation. Pursuant to Colorado law, you are required to first obtain a mined land reclamation permit from the Board prior to initiating the mining operation. If you disagree with the Division's determination you may petition the Board for administrative appeal, in accordance with Rule 1.4.11 of the Mineral Rules and Regulations of the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board for Hard Rock, Metal, and Designated Mining Operations. A copy of the reclamation statute and associated rules and regulations are available through the Division's web site at <http://mining.state.co.us>. Pursuant to Rule 1.4.11(1)(b), such petition must be received by the Division within 30 days, due April 14, 2017.

If you have any questions please contact me at (303) 866-3567 extension 8176, otherwise we look forward to working with you through the permitting process.

Sincerely,

Wallace H. Erickson

Senior Environmental Protection Specialist





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Date: 2-7-17

RE: **Need for State Reclamation Permit: "Is It Mining?"**

Name: CLIFFORD CLARK

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Enclosed are pertinent sections of the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board (Board) Rules governing activities that do not require a reclamation permit. To determine if you need a permit for you proposed activity, first check Rule 1.2 which describes activities the Board has determined do not require state reclamation permits. If you find a match, you can proceed based on your interpretation of the rule, but at your own risk. If you are uncertain how the Rule may apply to your activity, you should answer the list of questions below with as much detail as possible. Please feel free to use additional paper, maps, and attachments to explain your project.

Please include in your determination request answers to the following questions:

1. Please provide the legal location of the proposed project and submit a site map that clearly delineates the location of the proposed extraction site and the location of the nearest city, town, and county location name.
Section 33; Township 8S; Range 78W; PM 6 County PARK + SEC 4 T9S R 78W
Or NAD27 GPS X UTM _____ Y UTM _____ 6 PM - Park Co.
Direction and miles to nearest town/city 3 miles WNW of ALMA, CO.
2. Is the site of material extraction on public or privately owned property? Public - NAT'L. Forest.
3. What type(s) of material or metal is/are proposed to be extracted and describe the physical nature of the site i.e., river terrace, rocky knob, in-stream gravel deposit, etc.? Gold - IN STREAM Gravel
+ Some Adjoining Terrace
4. What processing or extraction method(s) will be used on site? Include any equipment or chemical(s) that will be used in the processing and extraction of the materials. No Chemicals; Sucking only
5. Will the extracted material be hauled offsite or used on the same parcel of property where the material is extracted? Recovered Gold will be hauled offsite.
6. How will the extracted material be used on site? N/A
7. If the material is hauled offsite, where will it be hauled to and what is the intended use? Denver to be sold.



8. What is the approximate areal extent of the proposed extraction in acres? *< 1 Acre Annually*
9. To what approximate depth will the extraction extend? *Unknown ; probably only a couple feet.*
10. In cubic yards, approximately how much material will be removed? *< 100*
11. Will material extraction involve the use of explosives? *NO*
12. Will site of extraction result in the exposure of tributary ground water? *UNKNOWN - Probably Not*
13. Will either the landowner or the mine site operator receive any type of compensation, i.e., monetary, in-kind, haulage fees, etc., from the proposed material extraction? *NONE OTHER THAN SALE OF ANY RECOVERED Gold.*
14. Please supply a copy of any documents that will ensure that the area of extraction will be reclaimed to some beneficial land use once extraction activities have been completed. *LAND will be Restored To As close As possible to Native Condition.*
15. Do you have permits for this activity from any other governmental agencies such as building, construction, or grading permits, and if so, what are they? *NO*
16. Are there state/federal/local agency participants in terms of funding (yes)-(no), design (yes)-(no). What are the percentages? *NONE*
17. What *post mining* uses will be made of the site of extraction and why? *NO Post Mining Uses.*
(This question helps us determine the intent of the activity)
18. What types and sizes of equipment will be used in the extraction? *HAND Portable Slicer + Portable Small Water Pump.*

Please send the completed questionnaire to the Division at the address above for review. The Board has directed the Division to make a decision based on the information you have supplied. We trust that the activities will be performed as represented. If we receive a complaint, we are required by law to conduct an inspection of the site. Which could result in a violation, a cease and desist order, and other corrective actions including submittal of a permit application.

If you have any question, please contact Wally Erickson for Eastern Colorado sites at (303)866-3567, ext. 8176, or Russ Means for Western Colorado sites at (303)866-3567, ext. 8185. If you are unsure which area your project lies please feel free to contact either for further guidance and assistance. Please feel free to visit our web site at: www.mining.state.co.us for further access to the full Act and Rules governing extraction of metals, non-metals, and construction materials in the State of Colorado.

Sincerely,

Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety Staff

Enclosure: Rule 1.2.1 for both Hard Rock Metal Mines and Construction Materials

NOTE: This Determination will influence whether I File a claim with The BLM for this property.

Thanks!

[Signature]
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PL: Polled local
PR: Polled remote
MS: Mailbox save

MP: Mailbox print
RP: Report
FF: Fax Forward

CP: Completed
FA: Fail
TU: Terminated by user

TS: Terminated by system
G3: Group 3
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