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Jeff Carter
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Dear Mr. Carter:

This letter is acknowledgement of your proposed mining operations received by my office on March 1, 2017. Before we can review your Plan of Operation we need additional information. The enclosed Plan of Operation and guidelines handout provide additional guidance for the information necessary to assess your operation.

Reclamation work was done on the Lombard mine in 2007 in order to address hazardous site concerns identified under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act of 1980 (CERCLA). Assessment of the site included safety concerns related to a collapsed adit, unstable structures, and the presence of Contaminants of Potential Concern, including Cadmium, Copper, Lead and Zinc. Work done in response to the risk to human health and the environment included:

- Drainage from the adit was diverted to prevent erosion of the tailings pile and leaching of hazardous material into the riparian area.
- Waste rock and tailing piles were consolidated into a pile and capped. The dike/reservoir were re-contoured and the stream returned to its natural channel.
- The site was revegetated with native plants then mulched to prevent erosion.
- Fencing was constructed to prevent unauthorized motorized use and allow site recovery.

As the mining claim holder you are responsible for repair to the site and liable for any damage, such as release of contaminants into the stream, which may occur from your operation.

Please include information detailing the timing of your activities and how you intend to prevent erosion and site material drainage into the stream and wetland area. Also, provide a description what areas of the capped waste rock pile you will use for access and information related to public safety during your activities. Once the additional information is received your plan will be evaluated by Forest Service staff for determination of additional mitigation measures. A bond to ensure reclamation is completed will likely be required. Please contact Clear Creek County and the State Department of Mining Reclamation and Safety as they may have additional requirements.



If you have questions or need additional information please contact Leslie McFadden, Lands and Minerals Staff for the Clear Creek Ranger district at: 303-567-3011, or lmcfadden@fs.fed.us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "James Fiorelli". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "F" and "i".

JAMES FIORELLI
Acting Clear Creek District Ranger

cc: Michael Cunningham, Colorado DRMS; Cyndie Ruschmyer, Clear Creek County