



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

1313 Sherman Street, Room 215
Denver, CO 80203

July 12, 2017

Sara Glinatsis
Sunrise Mining LLC
P.O. Box 160
Arvada, CO

**RE: May Day Idaho Mine complex, Permit No. M-1981-185 112d-2 Amendment Application
Objections Received**

Dear Ms. Glinatsis:

The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) received objections (copies enclosed) to the above referenced application from:

1. Scott Collignon, Received June 22, 2017
2. Lisa Giovanniello, Received June 23, 2017
3. William Karls, Received June 23, 2017
4. La Plata County Board of County Commissioners, Received June 27, 2017
5. David Kingsley, Received June 27, 2017

On May 2, 2017, the Division determined the application complete for the purpose of filing. The newspaper public comment period closed on June 27, 2017, and the objections are timely.

If you require additional information, or have questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety's Grand Junction Field Office, by phone at (970)-243-6368 or by email at lucas.west@state.co.us.

Sincerely,

Lucas West
Environmental Protection Specialist
Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety
1313 Sherman Street, Room 215
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Phone: (970)-243-6368

Cc: Russ Means, Senior Environmental Protection Specialist
Jeff Fugate, DRMS Minerals AGO





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June 27, 2017

Via email at lucas.west@state.co.us

Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety
Mr. Lucas West
Minerals Program, Grand Junction Field Office
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Grand Junction, CO 81501

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**DIVISION OF RECLAMATION
MINING AND SAFETY**

Re: May Day Idaho Mine Complex

Dear Mr. West,

The Board of County Commissioners of La Plata County received the notice issued by the Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety for the May Day Idaho Mine Complex permit amendment. After reviewing the permit application, a few discrepancies were noted as listed below:

- The application indicates a county driveway permit has already been obtained. The driveway permit that was issued will not cover mining operations and a new driveway permit is required.
- The application indicates a sanitation permit has been issued by La Plata County. Since the County does not issue sanitation permits, the applicant needs to obtain a permit for sanitary facilities from San Juan Basin Public Health.

La Plata County does have concerns that a hard rock mine may produce acid mine runoff and would like assurance that the stormwater management plan is sufficient to properly convey any runoff that is generated from precipitation or mine drainage. While we understand this mill will not contain a crusher and the mined rock will be processed off-site, containment of the mill tailings is an important aspect of handling mine waste and protecting surface water. La Plata County would prefer stockpiles be handled in such a manner to prevent any potential contamination from entering the soil or surface water.

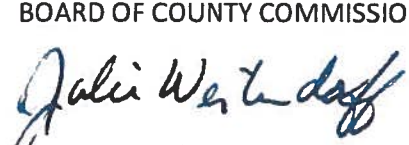
The County has additional concerns regarding the proposal to reclaim the area to a recreation use. The application indicates the access roads will remain after the mine is closed. The high level of precipitation and steep slopes in the project area exacerbate erosion and stormwater impacts. If the access roads are left in place, there is potential for increased stormwater impacts to adjacent water ways and public use of non-maintained roads. This action may lead to further degradation of the area if left uncontrolled.

The proposed development is expected to have impacts on adjacent land owners due to noise from mining operations and traffic. Noise was a concern expressed previously by the neighbors in the proposed project area. Blasting, generators, or ATVs on the site have the potential to create noise impacts. The use of sound attenuation walls, mufflers, and other mitigation measures is preferable. Also, please be aware that ATV use is not allowed on the county road adjacent to the project site. The traffic associated with transporting ore offsite for processing is expected to impact neighbors as well as county road maintenance costs and safety. A road impact agreement may be required to address these impacts. Although the expected impacts to adjacent land owners and the County will be addressed through the county land use permit process, please be aware that these issues are of concern to the County.

The Board of County Commissioners appreciates the opportunity to comment on the proposed May Day Idaho Mine Complex permit amendment.

Sincerely,

LA PLATA COUNTY
BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS



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Cc: Joe Kerby, La Plata County Manager
Sheryl Rogers, La Plata County Attorney
Jason Meininger, Interim Planning Director

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David N. Kingsley, M.D.

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CDRMS
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Denver, CO 80203

RE: Sunrise Mining LLC aka Mayday Mine/Idaho Mine Complex

Dear Sirs:

I have property across from the proposed mining site at 4467 County Road 124. Literally everyone who has operated this mine has been a violation of numerous laws as far as mining permits, national forest ground, tainting the water, noise, limitations and literally dozens of other violations. I am 100% opposed to any mining in LaPlata Canyon. This is a living community not a mining community and we would like to keep it that way.

Sincerely,



David N Kingsley, MD

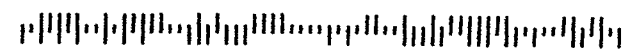
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DIVISION OF RECLAMATION
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M-1981-195

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Division of Reclamation Mine Safety,

This letter is to voice my concerns against Sunrise Mining Company (Wildcat Mining). Now Wildcat has a new name, new money, but NOT new management. **Same Robinson** as noted in the newspaper article enclosed dated back in February 27th **2011**.

Please take some time to look at his on-going mess and not only the history of this site but also the future. We were told with each new investor how good it is going to be now. When does NOW come??

I still look across from my home to a hillside littered with containers, an old mill, and scars in the landscape. Of course, all of this was done without any permits and under the watchful eye of the DRMS Durango office of Wally Erickson.

Wouldn't a clean-up and removal of this these illegally placed equipment be the start of something NEW?

The plan now, as stated in the e-mail enclosed from Sara Glinatsis to Phil Vigil dated June 5th 2017 is to truck out existing stockpiles (tailings) for a two year period. How in the world are they going to do this legally?? Are they going to drive heavy loaded trucks through the La Plata River or over the illegal bridge with no consent or permit?

Again, please review what need to be addressed, removed, reclaimed, permitted and MONITORED.

Scott Collignon

4495 County Road 124

Hesperus, Co. 81326



6/19/17

Lisa Giovanniello

From: Sara Glinatsis <sglinatsis@diamondhillfarms.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 13, 2017 7:52 PM
To: Phil Vigil, Lisa Giovanniello
Subject: RE: June 20 visit

Phil,

I hope we can find an opportunity to meet in person. I will reach out to you again prior to our next trip. Lisa, please let me know if you are available to meet while we are in town next Tuesday – Thursday. If there are any other neighbors you would like me to get in touch with, I am happy to do so.

Phil, I hear your concerns and understand that there have been several years of violations by the prior operator. While I cannot change the past, I reiterate that Jack and I are committed to compliance, respect for our neighbors and care for the land. We will do what we can to minimize your concerns.

Our initial plan is very limited and hopefully will ease some of your concerns. For the next year or two, we intend to continue cleanup of the mine and land, move existing stockpiles offsite, and conduct limited exploration. We will then determine the requirements and desirability for actual mining activities rather than just stockpile removal. This also allows us to become familiar with the area and the best ways to remain environmentally friendly and be a good neighbor.

I appreciate your communication.

Regards,
Sara

From: Phil Vigil [<mailto:vigilphil@gmail.com>]
Sent: Monday, June 5, 2017 11:17 AM
To: Sara Glinatsis <sglinatsis@diamondhillfarms.com>; Lisa Giovanniello <easygo@frontier.net>
Subject: June 20 visit

Hi, Sara

I will not be around that week unfortunately, I would like to voice my major concerns with your project and how it will our neighborhood. First is the loss of all that is a great place to live. By you bringing your questionable mining project to our backyard you will be imposing all the noise, dust, traffic and general destructive practices of mining to our homes. The mouth of the canyon is a natural amplifier for noise and the worst place for industrial development. In the past the county has been more then generous in it accommodation of this project by "mitigating" our right as residents to live in a peaceful, healthy and beautiful environment . When I say mitigate I mean that the county disregards all our everyday living rights to allow you to insert a mining operation in our lives. My neighbors and I have been through 10 years of this fiasco and find the whole process borderline criminal. I mean what other business can you develop without a permit, destroy streams and pond, create roads on someone else's property, put in a mill, and have it all permitted after the fact. Its a shame the way the EPA, Board of Mining, and the county have allowed a "mining company" with no permits to basically install a mining operation and have it all approved because they refused to stop this illegal development in its tracks with heavy fines and reclamation at the start, instead of light to nonexistent fines and

permitting all the illegal activities. So I would say to you that I cannot respect your decision to open the
Friday with its history and what we can expect from you. I expect you will be allowed to mine and do all you
want on what I consider a symbol of mining just like the old days, when miners took what they wanted and left
the destruction and pollution to the residents of the community to deal with. I am sure we will meet some day
but I am not looking forward to it.

I wonder what you would do if I came to your neighborhood and wanted to open a gravel pit right next to your
house and pollute your water, destroy your peace, and there was nothing you could do about it, I would think
you would not be happy and you would wonder what kind of person disregards the earth and its fellow human
beings when there are so many other excellent options for business and even mining in the world that are
compatible with industrial development.

Phil Vigil

Big time
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these gorillas
go global **6F**



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Wildcat Mining: They're back

Plan seeks
minerals for
solar panels,
green energy

By Heather Scofield
Herald Staff Writer

Wildcat Mining Corp., which has had a long and troubled relationship with regulators, is under new management and has a new plan for its La Plata Canyon mines, this time possibly capitalizing on the country's demand for green energy.

But some residents near the mines who have been vocal opponents of Wildcat Mining remain skeptical.

"It's insane," said Scott Collignon, a property owner near the mines. "These guys have run wild for four years, and now we're going to do it all again."

With new management and investors at the helm, Wildcat Mining this month submitted a new land-use permit application to La Plata County planners. The company hopes to reopen the historic May Day Idaho Mine Complex near Hesperus. New permit applications also were submitted to the state's Division of Reclamation Mining and Safety.

The company's plan this time around is to extract not only gold and silver, but also possibly tellurium, a key component in solar panels, and other "rare earth" minerals used in cars, electronics and renewable energy technology.

It also is investigating mining calcium carbonate, which has ag-



JERRY McBRIDE/Herald

In a symbolic gesture, George Robinson, new project manager of the May Day Idaho Mine Complex, tears off a sign at the entrance to the mines. The mining complex is under new management, and the sign had a former employee's name on it.

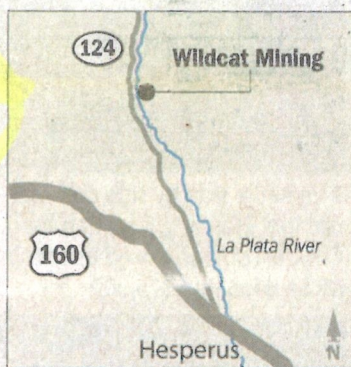
ricultural and soil uses.

"We think the entire rock has potential uses for man," said George Robinson, the company's new project manager.

He realizes Wildcat Mining has to confront some hard feelings related to previous dealings.

"Until now, the community has not been given straight talk," he said. "That's why we have a total change in management."

See Wildcat, 6A



Source: La Plata County

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Gary Gibbons, an employee with the May Day Idaho Mine Complex, holds ore that possibly contains gold, silver and tellurium.

WILDCAT MINING CORP. IN LA PLATA COUNTY: A TIMELINE

• Mike Clements purchases the Idaho mine and leases the May Day mine under an existing permit.	• State regulators pull the Idaho mine permit for failure to post bond.	• An inspection finds multiple violations.	• Wildcat Mining is fined \$15,400 for violations and must put up \$150,000 bond.	• The company appeals permit denial and is told to apply for a different kind of permit.	• Wildcat Mining, under new management, requests a county land-use permit.					
2006	2007	2008	February 2009	September 2009	November 2009	February 2010	June 2010	July 2010	August 2010	February 2011
Source: Herald archives						• Wildcat Mining is granted a permit to reopen the Idaho mine.	• The state fines the company for building a road without a permit.	• Wildcat Mining withdraws an application to mine and mill at the Idaho mine.	• The state denies a permit request.	• Regulators end efforts to seize a bond for violations, give the company more time to file for new permit.

**Colorado's boomer
population surges**

65-and-older group growing fast



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By: Deputy Public Trustee
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The name, address, business telephone number and bar registration number of the attorney(s) representing the legal holder of the indebtedness is:

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Attorney File # 16-013299

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PUBLIC NOTICE Sunrise Mining, LLC, ("Sunrise") whose address is P.O. Box 160, Arvada, CO 80001, and phone number is 308-760-8925, has filed an amendment and a supplement to permit number M-1981-185 for the May Day Idaho Mine Complex with the Colorado Division of Mining, Reclamation and Safety ("CDRMS") in accordance with the Hard Rock, Metal, and Designated Mining Operations Rules and the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Act. Sunrise seeks approval of its amendment and supplement from the CDRMS and the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board. Sunrise is the new operator of the proposed mining operation, which is known as the May Day Idaho Mine Complex and is located in Section 28, T36N, R11W, N.M.P.M., La Plata County, Colorado. The proposed date of commencement is Q3 2017 and the proposed date of completion is Q3 2027. The proposed future use of the land is recreation. Additional information may be obtained from the CDRMS, 1313 Sherman Street, Room 215, Denver, CO 80203, 303-866-3567, or at the La Plata County Clerk and Recorder's Office, 98 Everett Street, Suite C, Durango, CO 81303, 970-382-6280, or the above named applicant. A complete copy of the amendment and supplement is available at the above-named County Clerk and Recorder's office and at the CDRMS office. Comments concerning the application and exhibits, including any statements of support or objections, must be in writing and must be received by the CDRMS by 4:00 pm on or before June 27, 2017.

Please note that under the provisions of Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Act, C.R.S. 34-32-101 et seq., comments related to this application must be received by the CDRMS by 4:00 pm on or before June 27, 2017.

number as: 22 S. Los Pinos, BAYFIELD, CO 81122.

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DATE: 02/02/2017
Allison Aichele, Public Trustee
in and for the County of La Plata, State of Colorado

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By: Deputy Public Trustee
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DIVISION OF RECLAMATION
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To:CDRMS-1313 Sherman Street, Rm 215, Denver CO 80203

Re:Sunrise Mining's application for amendment of Permit #M-1981-185(Mayday Idaho Mine Complex)

From:William Karls 4465 CR 124, Hesperus, CO 81326 (Mailing address:PO Box 91, Hesperus, CO 81326)

I am writing concerning "Sunrise Mining's" application for amendment of Permit #M-1981-185(Mayday Idaho Mine Complex). I am assuming that those involved with this application at CDRMS are well acquainted with this "project"-previously referred to by various business names-but all in reference to the Mayday Mining complex near our homes in Mayday/Hesperus CO. Many of the main actors involved in previous CDRMS applications are still involved with the project-now under a new name. Those acquainted with the infamous history of this project will also be acquainted with the litany of violations that occurred at the mining site-leading to past "stop work" orders etc.

I suspect on some level CDMRS's patience has also been tried dealing with this project and the individuals involved-however, for those living near the mine, you may realize how frustrating it is to again learn that the Mayday mine is yet again being presented as a viable project despite the environmental insults and damage that this project has resulted in, not that long ago. It is like living under a tree that is destined to fall-leaving us to wonder what damage it will result in.

Is there no threshold that is reached where CDRMS says "Enough is enough"? After the Gold King disaster those in La Plata County wondered why was this not foreseeable? Now the residents of Mayday again have to watch the process play out in real time.

The Mayday project has been given "one more chance" more than once. I would ask CDRMS to not amend Sunrise's permit...and to watch and monitor all their activities with a magnified diligence. Their past history of stretching and disregarding many rules and regulations is entrenched in the methods of these individuals. Further, the required mitigations ordered by CDRMS should be completed in their entirety before any adjustments or amendments are considered.

Sincerely,



William Karls, (Property-4465 CR 124; Mailing address: PO Box 91, Hesperus, CO, 81326)

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DRMS,

I am writing to protest the permit for Sunrise Mining, once Wildcat Mining, to attempt resuming mining operations in La Plata Canyon. We are a residential, recreational area in La Plata County.

The La Plata River runs directly below this proposed mine site. We all know what happened in Silverton with the Animas River disaster and having the La Plata vulnerable to the same pollution is another setting for disaster. The La Plata has a bifurcation downstream that feeds Lake Durango. Lake Durango supplies Durango West 1, Durango West II, Shenandoah and the Rafter J subdivisions with their drinking water. Pollution of the La Plata River would be horrific.

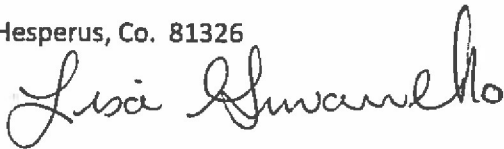
All of the current mining destruction up here has been done without permits, multiple "stop work orders" and numerous violations. There is a collapsed illegally built tunnel, illegal roads built destroying wetlands, illegal bridges built, an entire mill brought in, and multiple containers littering the hillside. Where was the DRMS during this whole 9 year process??

Please refuse the permit to commence any operations up here besides **reclamating** what has been destroyed already. Hold this company (same management, different money) to correcting all its violations and hopefully we will avoid another disaster.

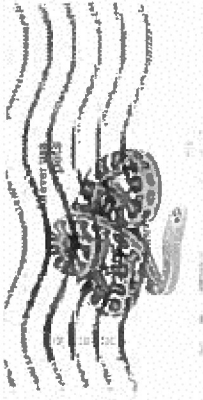
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