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## M-1994-117-AM01 Gold Hill Mill Amendment

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SUBJECT: M-1994-117-AM01 Gold Hill Mill Amendment

Dear Review Board:

The Gold Hill Town Meeting Community is concerned about the Gold Hill Mill Amendment and with the integrity of the operations.

As per your website and report there are many violations listed. Has there been an effort by the operators to make corrections? Is there a trend of fixing violations in a timely manner? The owner's prior actions and reliability to make an effort to keep the area safe needs to be a consideration when further decisions are made. If they are not addressing safety, nature, noise, and aesthetic issues the operators should not be granted permission to expand operations that may impact Boulder County Open Space, U.S. Forestry, Bureau of Land Management lands and our community.

Some issues that were brought up at a GHTM Special Meeting on January 8<sup>th</sup> included: -old rusty pipes pollute U.S. Forestry Land, Boulder County Land, and US Government land; and can be a hazard to wildlife and hikers -noise from generators or pumping stations to move water -Water Quality; contamination of ground water -contamination of water in case of flood

Thanks to Mike and Amy for their phone conversations and explaining the processes and regulations. Please add us to your mailing list and make the GHTM Board aware of any changes, hearings or reclamation processes. We appreciate your time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Tony Vrba Chair, Gold Hill Town Meeting

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