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COLORADO**

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**Permit no. M-1994-117 (Gold Hill Mill)**

1 message

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Tue, Jan 23, 2018 at 2:22 PM

Hi Mike,

I am writing to voice my concern about the proposed permit for the Gold Hill Mill for Hard Rock/Metal Mining. My biggest concern is specifically directed to the amount of water needed to be pumped out of Lefthand creek and the potential for spills, overflow and the consequences to communities down canyon. My understanding from talking with other community members is that this mine has had issues with properly managing this in the past and due to that precedent I am worried about how well this will be managed moving forward. We are in the midst of one of the driest winters on record, and we are at high risk of wildfires every summer. The use of incredibly large amounts of water for mining is irresponsible particularly in such a high risk area. I've attached a photo of leakage currently happening in one of our local mines. If this were to happen at the Gold Hill Mill site at a much larger scale the consequences to the community would be devastating.

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