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Technical Revision

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Attached, please find a letter and map for our technical revision. Thank you-Stephanie Tuntsall

2 attachments

TNR letter 18.docx

180601 Permit Map.pdf 434K Dear Mr. Cunningham,

In response to your division's request for more information for our technical revision request, I am submitting the following:

As to the questions regarding the settling pond; the pond already exists. We just wish to be move it to be able to use gravity flow rather than a pump. It will be the same surface area as the existing pond, which will be reclaimed. The existing pond is used sometimes, but it is not in the best location. It also does not hold water well as a neighbor dug it out to bedrock at some point. We would like to just reclaim that area. As mentioned, moving the pond would allow for a gravity system through hdpe piping rather than relying on pumps. It has come to our attention that many mine sites move ponds all the time as their operation moves. There is no issue with the water commissioner as long as the surface area remains the same. The area we would like to move the pond to is comprised of tailings and would not disturb any additional area and would, in fact, allow us to truly reclaim the lower area where the pond is now. Exact dimensions are difficult to obtain at this time as there were significant snow drifts and mud in the area and accessibility has been limited. The fact that it would be no bigger than the existing pond satisfies the water commissioner.

As for aggregate sales, sales would be limited and would just help keep the work area clear of waste material. We feel supplying some much-needed gravel to locals and the county for use on the local roads, at a rate beneficial to both parties, would help to foster good relationships with our neighbors. We would be sure to keep enough material for reclamation. This would be on a small scale, to local customers. The current mining process creates a nice roadbase-type gravel that is currently just a waste product that has to be moved out of the way of the working area. Moving it on down the road would not change the mining process.

Mr. Braun has revised the Mining Plan Map and it is attached. I hope this answers your questions.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Tunstall

