



## COLORADO

### Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety

Department of Natural Resources

1313 Sherman Street, Room 215  
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May 24, 2019

Kirk Daehling  
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3200 CR 31  
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***RE: Nacholite Project, File No. M-1983-194, Technical Revision (TR-43) Adequacy Review***

Dear Mr. Daehling:

On May 23, 2019, the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) received your Technical Revision request TR-43 for the Nacholite Project, Permit No. M-1983-194. The revision requested addresses the following items:

Addition of 6 wells on 3 pads

During review of the material submitted, the Division determined that the following issue(s) of concern need to be adequately addressed before the Technical Revision can be considered for approval. Please provide the following:

- Pad 15/16H-IR-E and Wells 15H-IR-E, 16H-IR-E and 17H-IR-E
    - Where will the existing topsoil and slash material from the 10H pad be moved to?
    - Is the topsoil volume of 1,940 CY specifically for the pad extension area only or will it include a portion of the 10H pad topsoil?
    - The 17H-IR-E well is not shown on the Plat, pad map or location photos. Please provide this information.
  - Pad 16/17H-1V and Wells 16H-1V and 17H-1V
    - The 17H-1V well is not shown on the Plat, pad map or location photos. Please provide this information.
- Please provide the disturbance associated with the access road to the pad.

Please submit your response(s) to the above listed issue(s) by Monday, June 17, 2019 in order to allow the Division sufficient time for review. If you cannot address the above issues by June 17, 2019 please request an extension to the decision due date to ensure adequate time for the Division to review



materials. A decision due date of June 24, 2019 has been set. If any adequacy issues remain by the decision due date the Division may deny your request.

The Division will continue to review your Technical Revision and will contact you if additional information is needed.

If you require additional information, or have questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me. Amy Yeldell at the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, 1313 Sherman St., Room 215, Denver, CO 80203. Direct contact can be made by phone at 970-254-8511 or via email at amy.yeldell@ state.co.us

Sincerely,



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