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Oxbow Mining LLC TR77 Response to CDRMS Adequacy Review

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Mon, Jun 24, 2019 at 3:55 PM

To: savageandsavage@earthlink.net

Cc: Doug Smith <doug.smith@oxbow.com>

Doug, Mike,

Please find the Division's response attached.

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June 24, 2019

Re: Elk Creek Mine (Permit No. C-1981-022)
Technical Revision No. 77, (TR-77)
Second Adequacy Review

Dear Mr Smith,

The Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) has completed the review of materials submitted by Savage and Savage Environmental, on behalf of Oxbow Mining, LLC (OMLLC), in response to the Division's Initial Adequacy Review.

No proposed revised pages were submitted, however the letter submitted on May 22, 2019, proposed in detail how the pages would be revised, organized into the same five topics as the Initial Adequacy Review letter.

1. [Seed mixtures, and woody plant standard]
The response is acceptable.
2. [Grazing]
The response is acceptable.
3. [Cover standard]
The proposed cover standard of 19.3% live vegetative cover is acceptable.
4. [Noxious weeds]
The Division agrees that the operator is required to control noxious weed species during the liability period, therefore the presence of these species at bond release is anticipated to be minimal. The cover standard as proposed is acceptable.
5. [Extended reference area]
The proposed extended reference area definition is acceptable.

Please submit revised pages to reflect the content of the correspondence to date.

The proposed decision due date for TR-77 is June 28, 2019.



Doug Smith
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Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Leigh Simmons', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Leigh Simmons
Environmental Protection Specialist

CC: Michael S. Savage, Savage and Savage Environmental