

Memo to File

Date: September 19, 2019

From: Michael A. Cunningham, Senior Environmental Protection Specialist

RE: Perigo Mine; DRMS File M-2019-047; Receipt of Citizen Complaint

On September 17, 2019, the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) received a citizen complaint regarding possible illegal mining activity in the vicinity of Dakota Hill in Gilpin County. The complainant observed drilling rigs in the area which were owned and operated by Authentic Drilling; no other activities were observed.

The Division verified Authentic Drilling is working with the Inactive Mines Program to investigate groundwater flow in and around the Perigo Mine to determine a remedial approach of addressing the mine drainage. The purpose of this drilling project is to install deep monitoring wells and conduct packer testing.

The Division has determined that the observed activities are not associated with illegal mining. Therefore, no inspection will be conducted. This matter is considered to be resolved.



If you have any questions, please contact me at (303)866-3567 x8116.

Sincerely,

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