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Re: King Coal Mine (Permit No. C-1981-035) Technical Revision No. 29 (TR-29) Additional Portals and Access Roads - History Colorado #68206

1 message

Binns - DNR, Janet <janet.binns@state.co.us>
To: "Mckee-Huth - HC, Holly" <holly.mckee@state.co.us>

Wed, Apr 1, 2020 at 1:45 PM

Hello Holly,

Thanks for your reply. Ah, yes, the problem with the Division's canned letter text. "the above referenced technical revision application may incorporate additional lands into the permit area or might otherwise alter previously approved permit conditions or mitigation measures" This revision does not incorporate any new land into the permit area. It does propose new mine workings within the previously approved permit area. The new mine workings should not have any new surface disturbance associated with them other than the discussed 2.1 acres for the new portals and access road.

I copied the CASA survey area map with the blue disturbance area boundary the operator superimposed on it. I added a yellow ellipse to highlight the area of the proposed new disturbance. Please let me know if this helps. if you want to discuss this via a phone call (sometimes easier to clarify things than e-mails), please contact me at 720-688-0626.

Thanks again for your review.

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On Wed, Apr 1, 2020 at 12:50 PM Mckee-Huth - HC, Holly holly.mckee@state.co.us wrote: Hello Janet:

I was able to get into the Google Drive using the link you provided.

I mentioned in the additional permit areas because the letter sent to us stated that "the above referenced technical revision application may incorporate additional lands into the permit area or might otherwise alter previously approved permit conditions or mitigation measures" from what I could see, it looked like there were new lands being incorporated. However, if there are not, this was my mistake, and I will include that

information in my response letter to the additional information you have provided. However, I am a little confused about where the approved area of disturbance is relative to this new area under the technical revision. I was able to find the survey area that you were talking about, so just to be clear the additional portals and access roads will be in that area?

Thank you for the additional information. I don't have access to as many things as I would like right now, and this additional information will help get me to the concurrence you are looking for. I appreciate your understanding and patience.

Sincerely,

Holly McKee-Huth

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Holly McKee-Huth

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On Mon, Mar 30, 2020 at 7:50 AM Binns - DNR, Janet <janet.binns@state.co.us> wrote: Hello Holly,

I just shared a google drive file with you. "C1981-035 King I & II, TR29-Cultural Survey". I am not very practiced at inviting people to google drive files, so if you are unable to access it, please let me know. There are 4 pdf files. These are the original CASA surveys from 2005 when GCC was proposing the King II portals. The last figure shows the survey area with the facilities disturbance area superimposed in blue. The blue boundary is there, just very light. The disturbance area included in blue line includes the proposed 2.1 acres proposed in TR29. The proposed disturbance is included within the 2005 CASA survey.

Your letter indicated that there would be additional permit area. I am not sure if that is standard language in the letter, but TR29 would not add additional lands into the permit area. All the proposed activity is within the existing approved permit area.

I hope that helps. If you have additional questions, you can call my cell phone at 720-688-0626, or e-mail me.

Thank you for your attention to this revision.

Janet Binns

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On Sun, Mar 29, 2020 at 7:04 PM Mckee-Huth - HC, Holly holly.mckee@state.co.us wrote:

I apologize for the delayed response. We too have been adjusting to teleworking full-time. Please feel free to send me any additional information you think may help.

Sincerely,

Holly

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On Wed, Mar 25, 2020 at 2:29 PM Binns - DNR, Janet <janet.binns@state.co.us> wrote: Good Afternoon Holly,

Thank you for your reply regarding King I and II, TR29. I believe the proposed area has previously been surveyed for Historic and Archeological clearance. That being said, I am

having trouble accessing the map remotely. I have requested the mine operator to steer me to the correct map if indeed, the area has previously been surveyed. Once I have additional information, I will let you know. I am not sure how we get through the confidentiality firewalls if we are all working remotely. I will let you know what GCC, the mine operator, tells me.

Thank you

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On Wed, Mar 25, 2020 at 12:18 PM Mckee-Huth - HC, Holly holly.mckee@state.co.us wrote:

From: History Colorado, Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation

Dear Ms. Binns:

Attached is our letter on the subject undertaking in Adobe PDF format.

Please contact me at the below information if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Holly McKee-Huth

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