

June 3, 2020

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Mr. Timothy Cazier, P.E.
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Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety
Office of Mined Land Reclamation
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**Re: Permit No. M-1980-244; Cripple Creek & Victor Gold Mining Company; Cresson Project; –
Technical Revision 121 Second Adequacy Review Response**

Dear Mr. Cazier:

On June 1, 2020, Newmont Corporation's Cripple Creek and Victor Gold Mining Company (CC&V) received the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety's (DRMS's) second adequacy review of Technical Revision (TR) 121, proposing both an increase to the approved backfill elevation of the Wild Horse Extension (WHEX) pit and a lateral expansion of the East Cresson Overburden Storage Area (ECOSA). Below are DRMS comments in italics followed by CC&V's responses in bold.

- 1) *Drainage: The response is adequate.*

No response necessary.

- 2) *Placement of overburden: The response is not adequate. Your first response referenced both Amendments 10 and 11. Both of which had multiple adequacy comments and responses. In addition, the current AM-13 is being reviewed and it is possible that review may impact lift heights and compaction methods. Please provide clarification specific to the 75 foot increase to the approved backfill elevation of the WHEX pit, and lateral expansion of the ECOSA regarding the maximum expected lift thickness and anticipated compaction methods.*

Construction of the proposed areas will consist of truck placement of overburden material in "lifts" that will generally be stacked 50 feet high. These lift heights may vary in height depending on the logistics of truck hauling, the geographic locations relative to the mine areas, and overburden removal scheduling.

Compaction methods will be consistent with historic practices of using the weight of fully loaded 793 haul trucks and a D10 track dozer to support. The D10 support can address any settling that may occur on the outer boundaries of the area.

3) *Figures/Drawings: The response is adequate.*

No response necessary.

Should you require further information please do not hesitate to contact Katie Blake at 719.689.4048 or myself at 719.689.4042 or Justin.Raglin@newmont.com.

Sincerely,

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RE: [EXTERNAL] M-1980-244 TR-121 Second Adequacy Review

1 message

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Wed, Jun 3, 2020 at 2:56 PM

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Hi Tim,

Please see the attached response to the second adequacy review of TR 121 and contact me if you have any questions.

Thank you, Katie

Katie Blake

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Katie,

The attached pdf file is provided for your records. A hard copy will not be sent unless you request one.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

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