



June 5, 2020

Basil Bear  
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**Re: Bowie No. 2 Mine, Permit C-1996-083,  
Review of the 2019 ARR**

Dear Mr. Bear:

The Division received BRL's 2019 Annual Reclamation Report (ARR), dated February 10, 2020. I have the following comments and questions regarding this report.

1. On the ARR form, the first line, Acreage in Active Mining Areas, should not contain a value. This line is only relevant for surface mines.
2. On the 2019 ARR map, there is a purple polygon in the Refuse Disposal Areas, which has a designated area of 2.0 acres. Within the map key, this area is described as "TR-43, 44 Refuse Disposal Area." Please indicate which entries in the disturbance list of the ARR correlate to this purple polygon on the map.
3. I am trying to determine if the areas that still require reclamation in the Reclamation Cost Estimate (RCE) for the Bowie No. 2 Mine make sense in the context of the acreages in the 2019 ARR and in the context of the Permit Application Package (PAP). In particular, I am looking at the roads affiliated with drill pads.
  - a. What tasks within the RCE identify the re-grading work related to those? I see that Task 86 is one of them, but is it the only one? If so, the RCE suggests that 46.7 acres of these light use roads require future grading work (or at least require the bond release for this work). Does that acreage value appear to be correct?
  - b. In the table of permitted disturbances on Map 9 of the PAP, can you identify which roads were never constructed?

Please call or e-mail me with any questions related to this review, or submit a formal response (including a revised ARR form, if necessary) via the Division's ePermitting system.

Thank you,

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