



COLORADO
Division of Reclamation,
Mining and Safety
Department of Natural Resources

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Jim Stover, P.E.
J.E. Stover & Associates, Inc.
2352 North 7th Street, Unit B
Grand Junction, CO 81501

Re: North Thompson Creek Mine, Permit C-1981-025
Review of 2020 Pond Inspections (First and Second Quarters)

Dear Mr. Stover:

The Division received your First Quarter and Second Quarter Pond Inspection Reports (signed by J.E. Stover, Colorado P.E. 19230). There was no inspection in the first quarter due to pandemic restrictions; I find this reasonable and have no further comments. The second quarter report is based on the inspection in May of 2020. I reviewed the second quarter report in the context of the Regulations of the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board for Coal Mining, in particular Rule 4.05.9(17). The report is in compliance with these regulations. No problems were identified with the ponds at the North Thompson Creek Mine.

I would like to clarify one issue. The inspection includes the Refuse Pond. If this pond has been Phase III released from the North Thompson Creek Mine permit, then it should not be included in future inspection reports.

If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me at Rob.Zuber@state.co.us or 720.601.2276.

Regards,

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