

Response to Reclamation Permit Application Consideration

DATE: July 15, 2020

TO: Patrick Lennberg, Environmental Protection Specialist

CC: Division 1 Office, District 1 Water Commissioner

FROM: Ioana Comaniciu, P.E.

RE: Watkins Mine, Permit No. M-2019-053

Operator: Kelley Tracking Inc. Contact: Cal Kelley, (303) 279-4150

SW1/4 of Sec. 6, Twp. 3S, Rng. 64W, 6th P.M., Adams County

CONDITIONS FOR APPROVAL

The proposed operation does not anticipate exposing groundwater. Therefore, exposure of ground water must not occur during or after mining operations. The Applicant must ensure that mining will stay at least 2 feet above the ground water table throughout the proposed mining operations.

The applicant has indicated plans to use water for dust control. The source of water for this use has been identified as a local fire hydrant. The Applicant will need to document that the water proposed to be used at the site is obtained from a legal source that allows such industrial use.

COMMENTS: If stormwater runoff is intercepted by this operation and is not diverted or captured in priority, it must be released to the stream system within 72 hours. This may require a discharge permit from CDPHE-WQCD. Otherwise, the operator will need to make replacements for evaporation.



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