

Eric C. Scott Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety 1313 Sherman Street, Room 215 Denver, Colorado 80203

Re: Peak Ranch Resource, File No. M-2020-041 (HC#78441)

Dear Mr. Scott:

We received your correspondence dated August 19, 2020 on August 24, 2020 initiating consultation with our office in accordance with the Colorado State Register Act (Colorado Revised Statute (CRS) 24-80.1).

A search of the Colorado Cultural Resource Inventory database indicates that two cultural resource inventories were conducted in or near the proposed permit area, and one cultural resource was recorded in the area of proposed action. Site 5ST.745.2, a segment of the Blue River to Summit Transmission Line was given a field determination of "not eligible" in 2009. Please keep in mind that our files contain incomplete information for this area, as most of Colorado has not yet been inventoried for cultural resources. As a result, there is the possibility that as yet unidentified cultural resources exist within the proposed permit area. Should human remains be discovered during mining activities, the requirements under State law CRS 24-80 part 13 apply and must be followed.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment. If we may be of further assistance, please contact Holly McKee-Huth, Cultural Resource Information/106 Compliance at (303) 866-4670/holly.mckee@state.co.us.

Sincerely,

Steve Turner, AIA

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