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DIVISION OF RECLAMATION
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Re: 23 ¼ West Pit, File No. M-2020-035 (HC# 78467)

Via email

Dear Ms. Yeldell:

Thank you for your correspondence dated August 25, 2020, received by our office on August 27, 2020, for the referenced project. Our comments are provided in accordance with the Colorado State Register Act (Colorado Revised Statute CRS 24-80.1).

A search of the Colorado cultural resource inventory database indicated four cultural resource inventories were conducted in or near the proposed permit area, and nine previously recorded site were record in the area of proposed action:

Site #	National/State Register Eligibility
5ME.1982	No Assessment
5ME.1984	No Assessment
5ME.1985	No Assessment

As none of the above properties have been nominated for inclusion in or accepted by the state register, additional protection is not required by this act. 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/Section 106 Compliance at (303) 866-4670/holly.mckee@state.co.us.

Sincerely,

Steve Turner, AIA
State Historic Preservation Officer