

November 20, 2020

County Commissioner Boulder County Commissioners P.O. Box 471 Boulder, CO 80306

Re: Phil Sheridan Lode, Permit No. M-1988-081, Request for 2nd Five-Year Period of Temporary Cessation (TC-02)

Dear Boulder County Commissioner:

This letter is being sent to inform the County(s) and any Municipality(s) within two miles of a mining operation of the intention of the operator to put their mining operation into a state of Temporary Cessation, in accordance with Rule 1.13.6.

Please be advised, on November 20, 2020, Harry Covey, whose address is 479 CR 83, Boulder, CO 80302 and whose telephone number is 303-442-0657, filed a Notice of Temporary Cessation with the Division of Reclamation Mining and Safety (Division) for the Phil Sheridan Lode mining operation, Permit No. M-1988-081. The mining operation is located at or near Section 8, Township 1N, Range 71W, 6th Principal Meridian in Boulder County.

The second period of Temporary Cessation may begin on May 8, 2020, and may last up to five years from that date. The notice submitted to the Division contains information pertaining to the reasons for cessation of the mining operation, a plan for resumption, and the measures taken to comply with reclamation and other necessary activities related to the performance standards of Rule 3 of the Rules and Regulations in order to maintain the mine in a non-producing or non-developed state.

The receipt of the Notice of Temporary Cessation will be placed on the Consent Agenda of the December 16-17, 2020 meeting of the Mined Land Reclamation Board (Board), unless one or more of the following conditions occurs:

- 1. Reclamation or performance standard issues are indicated in the Notice of Temporary Cessation.
- 2. Such issues are indicated by a field inspection of the mine site.
- 3. Such issues are indicated by a review of the mining operation file.
- 4. Concerns are expressed about the Notice of Temporary Cessation by interested persons.

If one or more of the above conditions occurs, the Division will schedule a Formal Public Hearing for the Notice of Temporary Cessation for a subsequent Board meeting. During that meeting, the Board will consider whether or not to accept the Notice of Temporary Cessation.



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Please provide any comments you may have regarding this matter prior to the Board meeting.

If you have any questions, you may contact me by telephone at 303-866-3567, ext. 8129, or by email at <u>amy.eschberger@state.co.us</u>.

Sincerely,

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Cc: Janice A. Wheeler, POA for Harry Covey Michael Cunningham, DRMS