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Attn: Stephanie Carter

Dear Mr. Berger,

We received your timely response dated October 30, 2020 for which we are very appreciative. Your response satisfies our inquiry regarding what appeared to be Zephyr's gratuitous modification of BLM road. We will presume that the 2013 43 CFR Notice that Zephyr is party to is in good hands and will be effectively addressed at the appropriate time.

The Royal Gorge Preservation Project (RGPP) is not an anti-mining group, per se, but endeavors to best represent the environmental and forward-looking interests of Fremont County. The assets controlled by the BLM and Forest Service is significant in that regard. Zephyr's exploratory progression has proven to be 'flat-lined' by industry standards (see Stockhouse financial portal) since their inception

in January 2012, with the July 2020 exception when they moved emphasis from gold to the 'broken hill' model in the El Plomo exploratory section. The apparent failure of that exploratory effort has quickly returned them to a gold emphasis and their poor industry standing. To date, their exploratory efforts have not exceeded the gold findings of Jascan/Uranerz reported in 1990-1995. Additionally, the RGPP has concerns that Zephyr's stated optimism regarding the production potential of a Dawson underground mine is faulted given the sub-topographical nature of the underlying geology. We have evidence of this observation.

The above comments are included solely for the purpose of describing, to you, the positioning of the RGPP. We will work to make our involvement in this process meaningful, albeit without the resources and sophistication of your agency. Two of the four members of our Board possess over eighty-three years of federal government experience which at least counts towards an understanding of the complicated nature of a bureaucracy. Thank you again for your response and the opportunity to communicate further with Stephanie Carter. It is much appreciated.

Sincerely,

Gary Peterson  
Board Chairman, Royal Gorge Preservation Project

Cc: Jamie Connell, BLM Colorado State Director  
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Tim Cazier, CDRMS



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## RGPP Response to BLM Ltr dtd October 30, 2020

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Mon, Nov 9, 2020 at 2:23 PM

To: blm\_co\_rg\_visitorinfo@blm.gov

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Attn: Stephanie Carter

Greetings,

A hard copy of your letter will not be needed. Your response satisfied our inquiry and is appreciated. I do have basic questions requiring your particular area of expertise, Stephanie, and would appreciate meeting with you at a date in the near future. Your knowledge and willingness to provide me with direct answers at a previous meeting is well remembered.

Regards,

Gary Peterson



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