

**COLORADO** Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety

Department of Natural Resources 1313 Sherman Street, Room 215 Denver, CO 80203

February 4, 2021

Dennis Schneider Miners Mall, LLC 3143 ½ Goldeneye Ave. Grand Junction CO 81504

## RE: Humming Bird Mine, File No. M-2017-035, Comments Regarding Amendment (AM-2) 110(1) Hard Rock Reclamation Permit Application

Dear Mr. Schneider:

On February 4, 2021 the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) received comments regarding the above referenced application from the State Historic Preservation Office. Please add this document to your permit file records.

If you require additional information, or have questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me. Amy Yeldell at the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, 1313 Sherman St., Room 215, Denver, CO 80203. Direct contact can be made by phone at 303-866-3567 Ext 8183 or via email at amy.yeldell@state.co.us

Sincerely,

Amy Geldell

*Amy Yeldell* Environmental Protection Specialist

Cc: Travis Marshall, Senior EPS, Grand Junction DRMS Eric Eckberg, BLM





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RE: Humming Bird Mine – File No. M-2017-035, Miners Mall, LLC Amendment Application (AM-2) (HC# 72771)

Dear Ms. Yeldell,

Thank you for the additional documentation received by our office on January 27, 2021 requesting review of the above referenced undertaking under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) and its implementing regulations 36 CFR Part 800.

The provided documentation and information provided through email on January 27, 2021 notes that the amendment proposes reducing the existing permit area and does not propose additional disturbance outside previously approved areas. 5ME.7372 sits in the area of potential effects and was previously determined not eligible for the National Register of Historic Places. Based on the documentation provided, we find that a finding of no historic properties affected [36 CFR 800.4(d)(1)] is appropriate for the subject undertaking.

Should unidentified archaeological resources be discovered in the course of the project, work must be interrupted until the resources have been evaluated in terms of the National Register eligibility criteria (36 CFR 60.4) in consultation with our office pursuant to 36 CFR 800.13. Also, should the consulted-upon scope of the work change, please contact our office for continued consultation under Section 106 of the NHPA.

We request being involved in the consultation process with the local government, which as stipulated in 36 CFR 800.3 is required to be notified of the undertaking, and with other consulting parties. Additional information provided by the local government or consulting parties might cause our office to re-evaluate our eligibility and potential effect findings. Please note that our compliance letter does not end the 30-day review period provided to other consulting parties.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment. If you have any questions, please contact Matthew Marques, Section 106 Compliance Manager, at (303) 866-4678, or matthew.marques@state.co.us.

Sincerely,

Steve Turner, AIA State Historic Preservation Officer

We are now accepting electronic consultation through our secure file transfer system, MoveIT. Directions for digital submission and registration for MoveIT are available at <u>https://www.historycolorado.org/submitting-your-data-preservation-programs</u>.