



COLORADO
Division of Reclamation,
Mining and Safety
Department of Natural Resources

March 2, 2021

Daniel Pollock
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RE: Cross Gold Mine, Permit No. M-1977-410, Comment Received on 110(2) Hard Rock Permit Amendment Application (AM-02)

Mr. Pollock:

On March 1, 2021, the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) received a comment letter from History Colorado (see enclosed) on your Amendment Application (AM-02). Please review the enclosed comment letter and inform the Division how the operator intends to address any issues detailed in the letter. This response may be included with your response to the Division's February 24, 2021 preliminary adequacy review.

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

Sincerely,

Amy Eschberger
Environmental Protection Specialist

Encl: Comment letter from History Colorado, received on March 1, 2021

Cc: Richard Mittasch, Grand Island Resources, LLC
Michael Cunningham, DRMS





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Eschberger - DNR, Amy <amy.eschberger@state.co.us>

Cross Gold Mine – File No. M-1977-410, Grand Island Resources LLC Amendment Application (AM-2) (HC#60696)

Mckee-Huth - HC, Holly <holly.mckee@state.co.us>
To: Amy Eschberger - DNR <amy.eschberger@state.co.us>

Mon, Mar 1, 2021 at 9:21 AM

From: History Colorado, Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation

Dear Ms. Eschberger:

Attached is our letter on the subject undertaking in Adobe PDF format.

Please contact me at the below information if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Holly McKee-Huth

Holly McKee-Huth

Cultural Resource Information | GIS Specialist |

Section 106 Compliance

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History Colorado | Office of Archaeology and Historic Preservation

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Amy Eschberger
Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety
1313 Sherman Street, Room 215
Denver, Colorado 80203

Re: Cross Gold Mine – File No. M-1977-410, Grand Island Resources LLC Amendment Application (AM-2) (HC#60696)

Dear Ms. Eschberger:

Thank you for your correspondence on February 8, 2021 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 indicates that three cultural resource inventories were conducted in or near the proposed permit area. In addition, the database also indicated that 26 previously recorded sites in or near the area of the proposed action, four of which were determined Field Eligible (5BL.377, 5BL.427, 5BL.9092.1, and 5BL.9092.2) for listing on the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP), and six that did not include assessments on their forms (see attached table). As none of the properties have been nominated for inclusion in or accepted by the state register, additional protection is not required by this act. Nevertheless, we recommend avoidance of all officially eligible, field eligible, and officially needs data sites, if possible. 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.

If the proposed mining plan amendment involves Federal oversight please note that it is the responsibility of the federal agencies involved to comply with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act as set forth in 36 CFR Part 800 (“Protection of Historic Properties”). This includes the identification of any historic properties within the area of potential effects and determining whether the undertaking will have an effect upon such properties. The State Historic Preservation Office, Native American tribes, representatives of local governments, and applicants for Federal permits, licenses or other approval are entitled to consultative roles in this process. 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
State Historic Preservation Officer

Colorado Cultural Resource Inventory Database Cultural Sites		
Site Number	Assessment	Assessment Date
5BL.377	Field eligible	03/01/1981
5BL.404	Officially not eligible	5/23/1989
5BL.427	Field eligible	04/01/1981
5BL.520	No assessment	04/01/1977
5BL.531	No assessment	04/01/1977
5BL.534	Officially not eligible	4/5/1992
5BL.538	No assessment	04/01/1977
5BL.543	Officially not eligible	05/23/1989
5BL.2405	Officially not eligible	05/23/1989
5BL.2406	Officially not eligible	5/23/1989
5BL.2407	Officially not eligible	5/23/1989
5BL.2408	Officially not eligible	05/23/1989
5BL.2409	Officially not eligible	05/23/1989
5BL.2410	Officially not eligible	05/23/1989
5BL.2411	Officially not eligible	05/23/1989
5BL.2412	Officially not eligible	05/23/1989
5BL.2413	Officially not eligible	05/23/1989
5BL.2414	Officially not eligible	05/23/1989
5BL.4905	Officially not eligible	5/9/1995
5BL.4906	Officially not eligible	5/9/1995
5BL.9092.1	Field eligible	06/19/2002
5BL.9092.2	Field eligible	06/19/2002
5BL.9655	Field not eligible	4/21/2008
5BL.9675	No assessment given on form	04/20/1977
5BL.9677	No assessment given on form	04/20/1977
5BL.9681	No assessment given on form	04/07/1977