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# RE: McClane Canyon Mine, C1980-004 Permit Renewal No. 9 Preliminary Adequacy Review

Dear Mr. Stover,

The Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (the Division) has received the McClane Canyon Mine's February 16, 2021 submittal of required items for a permit renewal. The information provided allowed the revision to be called complete on February 26, 2021. The Division has completed reviewing the application submittal and the C-1980-004 Permit, and has the following comments:

## Rule 2.03 – Legal, Financial and Compliance and Other Related Information

- 1. Please ensure that all the information contained in section 2.03 (Volume I, Section 1) is up to date. This section of the permit contains the names and addresses of the mine operator, the resident agent, surface land owners, subsurface landowners and contiguous surface owners.
- 2. Rule 2.03.4: Please check that the officer and control information provided in Section 1 is up to date.
- 3. Please review the maps in Volume IV of the permit and update the maps related to section 2.03 as necessary to reflect any changes that may have occurred.

#### **<u>Rule 2.04.10 – Vegetation Information</u>**

4. Please review Section 2.0 (Starting on p. 2.04-50 and on tables 4.3-9, 4.3-10 and 4.3-11) for information regarding the threatened and endangered species list for the plant species that are applicable to the McClane Canyon Mine.

#### Rule 2.04.11 – Fish and Wildlife Resources Information



5. Please review Section 2.0 (starting on p. 2.04.-72) of the permit and update as necessary. Please ensure that the Threatened and Endangered Species list is updated if necessary.

### **Rule 3.02.2 – Determination of Bond Amount**

6. The Division updated the Reclamation Cost Estimate for the McClane Canyon Mine. The updated estimate is attached with this document for your review. The new estimate has calculated the reclamation liability to be \$515,696.00. The current reclamation bond held with the Division is in the amount of \$474,715.32. Please submit an updated reclamation bond to the Division.

This concludes the Division's preliminary adequacy review for the McClane Canyon Mine's Permit Renewal No. 9. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

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