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Dear Mr. Carter:

This letter is to acknowledge receipt of your Lombard #3 Mine Plan of Operations (POO) in accordance with the Forest Service (FS) mining regulations at 36 CFR 228.5(a). The POO is dated January 26, 2021 and was received on January 26, 2021 by the Clear Creek Ranger District, Arapaho National Forest (ANF).

The Lombard #3 Mine POO outlines your intent to conduct exploration work on the Lombard #3 claim, located in the Alice-Yankee Hill Mining District, T. 3 S., R. 74 W. Section 1, 6th P.M. The POO described activities including:

- Use of existing roads (Cumberland Gulch Road, FSR 271.1)
- Excavation to open adit
- Installation of new gate at adit opening
- Underground operations include removal of material for testing and sampling

An interdisciplinary (ID) team conducted an initial analysis of the plan on February 11, 2021 in order to disclose the environmental impacts from the proposed activity, as required under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). A site visit and preliminary survey was completed as part of the environmental review on June 9, 2021. It was determined that several trees will need to be removed to provide equipment access to the adit site and to clear an area for the storage of removed material. In accordance with the Forest Service (FS) mining regulations at 36 CFR 228.5(a) the plan has been reviewed, but more time, not to exceed an additional sixty (60) days, is necessary to complete such review to include the vegetation removal. Following completion of the NEPA analysis, you will be required to accept any stipulations the Forest deems necessary to minimize adverse impacts, in addition to posting an acceptable reclamation bond in accordance with 36 CFR 228.13.

If you have any questions please contact Nicole Malandri, Lands and Mineral Staff at the Clear Creek Ranger District, by phone at 720-667-9280, and/or by email at nicole.malandri@usda.gov.

Sincerely,

SCOTT E. HAAS
District Ranger

