



Dustin M. Czapla
Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety
1313 Sherman St., Room 215
Denver, Colorado 80203

Re: Penn Mine, File No. M-2021-032 (HC# 79919)

Dear Mr. Czapla:

We received correspondence dated May 28, 2021 on June 07, 2021 initiating consultation with our office in accordance with the Colorado State Register Act (Colorado Revised Statute (CRS) 24-80.1).

A search of our database indicates that three historic mining sites, the Kathleen Mine (5LK.839), the Hope Mine (5LK.2049), and the Lady Jane Mine (5LK.2202), as well as an isolated mining feature (5LK.2201) are located within or adjacent to the permit area. Three of these properties were determined not eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places. The Lady Jane Mine (5LK.2202) was determined to be officially eligible in 2013. As there are no properties of historical significance included or nominated for inclusion in the state register within the proposed permit area, a finding of no adverse effect is appropriate. Nevertheless, we recommend avoidance of all officially eligible, field eligible, and officially needs data sites, if possible.

As most of Colorado has not been inventoried for cultural resources, our files contain incomplete information. Consequently, there is the possibility that as yet unidentified cultural resources exist within the proposed permit area. The requirements under CRS 24-80 part 13 apply and must be followed if human remains are discovered during ground disturbing activities.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment. If we may be of further assistance, please contact Holly McKee-Huth, Cultural Resource Information/Section 106 Compliance at (303) 866-4670/holly.mckee@state.co.us.

Sincerely,

Steve Turner, AIA
State Historic Preservation Officer