

June 28, 2021

Casey Evans 700 Rosalie Rd Bailey, CO 80421

Re: Approval to Commence Prospecting, Desert Gold, File No. P-2021-011

Dear Mr. Evans:

The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) has completed the review of the Desert Gold NOI, File P-2021-011. As the Bureau of Land Management holds a Surface Management Personal Bond check in the amount \$2,726.00 for the project, the Division has applied the submitted "token" One Site Prospecting Financial Warranty Check for Deposit in State Treasury in the amount of \$100.00 to File No. P-2021-011. Therefore, final approval from the Division for your Notice of Intent to Conduct Exploration (NOI) at the Desert Gold is hereby granted and you may commence prospecting operations at this site.

In accordance with Rule 5.6, an Annual Report and associated fee of \$86.00 must be submitted on your notice approval anniversary date for each year following the filing of an NOI until reclamation responsibility release is granted by the Division. In addition, Rule 5.3.4 requires the prospector to notify the Division upon completion of the exploration operations. Such notice shall be sent by certified mail and shall be separate from other correspondence.

Please note, the acceptance of this NOI shall not be construed to abrogate the duty of the Prospector to comply with other applicable laws or regulations, including but not limited to all federal, state, or local permits, licenses, or approvals as well as any access agreements, as applicable to the specific operation.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 303-866-3567 ext. 8132 or elliott.russell@state.co.us.

Sincerely,

Elliott R. Russell Environmental Protection Specialist

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