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Mr. Congdon,

This letter acknowledges receipt of your cover letter and proposed MEQ Plan of Operations (POO) in accordance with the Forest Service (FS) mining regulations at 36 CFR 228.5(a). The POO is dated August 30, 2021 and was received on August 30, 2021 by the Aspen-Sopris Ranger District, White River National Forest (WRNF).

The MEQ proposed POO outlines your intent to conduct mining operations on the WRNF within Pitkin County in Sec 28, T9S, R88W, 6th PM, and is similar to your former White Banks Quarry POO.

I am reviewing your submittal as a new proposed POO. As part of my continued review, I will assess your proposed activities to ensure they are authorized by law, are reasonable and follow logical progression, and are designed to minimize adverse environmental impacts.

Based on my initial review of your proposed POO, additional information will be required in accordance with 36 CFR 228.4(c) and changes will be required to remain consistent with the 2013 White Banks POO Decision Notice. After I complete the review of your proposed POO, I will provide you with a written list of additional items and necessary changes required for me to consider your plan complete.

If you have any questions or need clarification regarding the above information, please contact me directly at the Aspen-Sopris office, by phone at 970-404-3157, and/or by email at kevin.warner@usda.gov.

Sincerely,

X 

KEVIN WARNER
District Ranger

cc: Walt Brown, Greg Rosenmerkel, Travis Marshall

