

October 15, 2021

Jared Ebert Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety 1313 Sherman St., Rm. 215 Denver, Colorado 80203

Re: New Elk Mine Permit C-1981-012 MR-128

Dear Mr. Ebert

Please find electronically attached an application for MR-128 for New Elk Mine (Permit C-1981-012). MR-128 addresses issues associated with Midterm Review 8 (MT-8) as well as update insurance and changes the mine plan shown on Map 3.

Attached is the updated insurance to go in Exhibit 3 in the PAP. A revised Map 3 to go into the PAP.

Below are responses for MT-8:

Section 1.0 – Table of Contents

1. Please updated the list of maps to reflect the maps that have been change since TR-70 was issued, and the dates of the currently approved maps.

Response

NECC will update Section 1.0 List of Maps with currently open PR-5, since so many maps are being changed with the permit revision.

2. Please verify that ownership and control information and the list of neighboring surface and subsurface owners are correct or update them as necessary.

<u>Response</u> NECC addressed this issue with PR-5.

3. Please updated Table 2 to show the updated DRMS permit approved on November 14, 2019.

<u>Response</u> NECC addressed this issue with PR-5.

4. Please update section 2.04.4 with the necessary information form the cultural resource survey.

<u>Response</u> NECC addressed this issue with PR-5. 5. Table 27 is outdated in regard to NPDES discharge points. Please update the table and clarify the outfall for NE-080.

<u>Response</u>

Attached is an updated page 105 of Section 2.05 with the revised Table 27. NPDES station NE-080 (PRS-4) has been changed to outfalls 011 and 012 which are discharge points directly into the river from the North side of Colorado State Highway 12.

6. Section 2.05.3(4) describes water within the mine workings. Please update the discussion nto reflect actual conditions encountered during the reopening of the mien as well as the current drainage plan within the mine.

<u>Response</u> NECC addressed this issue with PR-5.

Please call or email if there are any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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Nick Mason Engineering Technician

Attachments

MR-128 Application Map 3 Insurance to replace the page in Exhibit 3 Section 2.05 page 105 of PAP