

January 27, 2022

Daniel Takami
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RE: Cross Gold Mine, Permit No. M-1977-410, Response to Proposed Activities

Mr. Takami:

The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (DRMS) has completed its review of your response submitted on January 26, 2022 providing clarification on certain activities proposed in your December 21, 2021 letter. This request for DRMS approval of activities is in conformance with the Cease-and-Desist Order issued by the Mined Land Reclamation Board (Board) during the enforcement hearing held on December 15, 2021.

DRMS has the following additional comments regarding the proposed activities:

- 1) With regard to the proposed Priority 3 activities, DRMS approved only the Sediment Control Pond Upgrades (3.2.1) in its December 29, 2021 letter. At that time, DRMS was unable to approve the Priority 3 activities associated with the Cross Mine (3.1.1, 3.1.2, and 3.1.3) without additional information being provided. In your recent response, approval is only requested for the winze activities proposed in 3.1.2 and 3.1.3.
- 2) After reviewing the additional information provided on the proposed Priority 3 activities Winze Hoist and Winze Sump Rehabilitation (3.1.2) and Sublevel Sediment Sumps Rehabilitation and Development (3.1.3), the Division has the following questions:
 - a. Does the operator expect these proposed activities to result in an increase of sediment in the mine discharge, at least temporarily?
 - b. If the proposed activities will lead to an increase in sediment levels, please confirm the new water treatment system will be able to treat the increased sediment load to ensure compliance with discharge standards.

If you have any questions, you may contact me by telephone at 303-866-3567, ext. 8129, or by email at amy.eschberger@state.co.us.



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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Amy Eschberger". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Amy Eschberger
Environmental Protection Specialist

Cc: Daniel Pollock, Grand Island Resources LLC
Richard Mittasch, Grand Island Resources LLC
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