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Ms. Robin Reilley
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Re: Trapper Mining Inc., Permit No. C-1981-010

Technical Revision TR-130: I-Pit Mine Pit Limit Updates

Dear Ms. Reilley:

This technical revision is being submitted to revise pit mining limits in I-Pit and L-Pit. The enclosed material includes maps that present the proposed changes. Proposed changes and permit updates include:

- Extension of the I-Pit Middle pit to the west of the current open pit. This will facilitate additional highwall mining to the west with economic overburden removal back into the current I-Pit. An oil pipeline west of this area precludes any further extension of I-Pit. Also in L-Pit the strike line cuts at the southern end of the pit area will progress faster than originally planned in 2022 and the mining limits have been extended to the north for the 2022 planned area. A second mining area is also included labeled "H Seam Overburden Removal" running parallel to the dip line cut of L-Pit.

Trapper believes these changes to the permitted mining limits of the current pits does not require any additional bonding. The current bonding initiated with PR-10 for the I and J Pits is more than adequate to cover the additional stripping and overburden removal with extending I-Pit Middle to the west. Proposed stripping acres for J-Pit has not occurred as planned, nor has any overburden removal for these pits. Worst case bonding scenarios were based on J-Pit East, which is a deeper pit than I-Pit, therefore regrade quantities should be accounted for in the revised bond amount of PR-10.

For the L-Pit changes, no additional topsoil stripping is requested at this time. The strikeline pits are all similar in length and depth to the proposed worst case bond scenario dipline cut in the same area. The placement of these cuts does not adversely affect the bond currently held to reclaim the L-Pit strikeline cuts. In the area parallel to the L-Dip pit, labeled "H Seam Overburden Removal," overburden may be removed to the H seam coal in 2022. This material would not constitute any increase in overburden that would need to be replaced to achieve PMT, as the bulk of it will need to be removed to attain the currently proposed PMT for L-Pit.

The following revised maps are enclosed:

- M4, Updated I-Pit and L-Pit mining limits for remainder of the permit term.
- M6, Updated PMT for WCB year for extended I-Pit.
- M10A, Sheet 1. Updated mining limit for I-Pit Middle pit with extension to the west.
- M10A, Sheet 3. Updated L-Pit strike cut mining limits and addition of “H Seam Overburden Removal” area.
- M10B, Sheet 1. Addition of 2022 striping area for western extension of currently active I-Pit

Please contact us with any questions, comments or concerns.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Graham Roberts", followed by a horizontal line.

Graham Roberts
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