



**COLORADO**  
**Division of Reclamation,  
Mining and Safety**  
Department of Natural Resources

1313 Sherman St. Room 215  
Denver, CO 80203

July 21, 2022

Michael Rutter  
Pinon Ridge Mining, LLC  
31162 Highway 90  
Nucla, CO 81424-0825

**Re: Sunday Mine Complex Topaz Mine Monitoring Well Construction, File No. P-2022-010,  
Authorization to Proceed**

Dear Mr. Rutter:

The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) has accepted your Notice of Intent to Conduct Prospecting (NOI) Application as well as accepted the required Financial Warranty. Pursuant to Rule 5.1.3(d)(iv), the Division's determination will not take effect until the expiration of the **five (5)** business days allowed for an appeal. This notice is to inform you that no such appeal was received, and you are **authorized to proceed** with prospecting operations.

If you have any questions, concerns or need additional information please feel free to contact me at the Division's Grand Junction Field Office, by phone at 303-866-3567 Ext. 8187 or by email at [lucas.west@state.co.us](mailto:lucas.west@state.co.us).

Sincerely,

**Lucas J. West**  
Environmental Protection Specialist  
Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety

Cc: Travis Marshall, Senior Environmental Protection Specialist

Ec: George Glasier, Pinon Ridge Mining, LLC  
Bruce Smith, Western Water & Land, Inc.  
James Blair, BLM

