

January 10, 2023

Tony Tennyson Elk Ridge Mining and Reclamation, LLC P.O. Box 628 27646 West 5th Avenue Nucla, CO 81424

## RE: New Horizon Mine Mine, Permit No. C-1981-008 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 2021 Sediment Pond Inspection Report

Dear Mr. Tennyson,

The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (the Division) has reviewed the Sediment Pond Inspection Report for the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter of 2021. The report was received on October 11, 2021. The Division finds the report to be in compliance with the following Rules:

**4.05.9(17)** – All impoundments are inspected quarterly, by a qualified person designated by the operator, for the appearance of structural weakness and other hazardous conditions. The reports are retained at the New Horizon Mine, and copies of the reports are submitted to the Division on a quarterly basis.

4.05.9(15)(a) – No indications of seepage, erosion or animal burrows were identified in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter. Spillways for the ponds were noted to be in good repair and functional.
4.05.9(15)(b) – The existing required monitoring procedures were met.
4.05.9(15)(e) – The 4<sup>th</sup> quarter report did not list any other aspects of the structure

affecting stability, or requiring maintenance.

During the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter Pond 013 discharged.

This concludes the Division's review of the Sediment Pond Inspection Report for the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter of 2021. If you have any questions, please contact me at (303)-866-3567 x8185 or clayton.wein@state.co.us.

Sincerely,

Clayton Wein



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