

May 4, 2023

Basil Bear Bowie Resources, LLC P.O. Box 1488 Paonia, CO 81428

Re: Bowie No. 1 Mine, Permit C-1981-038,

Review of 2023 Pond Inspection Report, Quarter 1

Dear Mr. Bear:

The Division received your First Quarter 2023 Pond Inspection Report (certified by James Stover, P.E.) based on an inspection on March 30, 2023. I reviewed the report in the context of the Regulations of the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board for Coal Mining, in particular Rule 4.05.9(17). The report is in compliance with these regulations. No problems were identified with any of the four ponds that were inspected (Loadout Pond, Highway Pond, and the two ponds at the West Mine).

There does appear to be an error on the report for the highway pond. The water and sediment elevations are 96.2' and 95.7', respectively. The elevation in this area is approximately 5730. Please revise this report or explain this apparent error.

Thank you,

Robert D. Zuber, P.E.

Environmental Protection Specialist

Cc via email: Jim Stover, J.E. Stover & Associates, Inc.

