

April 4, 2022

Taylor Conway 1936 Alpine Dr. Erie, CO 80516

RE: Adequacy Review, 110(1) Amendment Application AM1 Project P.J., File No. M-2018-007

Dear Mr. Conway,

The Division of Reclamation, Mining, and Safety (Division) has reviewed the content of your 110(1) Limited Impact Operation Reclamation Permit Application Amendment (AM1) for the Project P.J., File No. M-2018-007, and submits the following comments. The Division is required to make an approval or denial decision no later than May 31, 2022; therefore, a response to the following adequacy review concerns should be submitted to the Division as soon as possible. Please respond to this Adequacy Review with a cover letter titled "Adequacy Review Response AM1; M-2018-007" and summarizing each response to the numbered items below and attach additional/updated documents as necessary

The review consisted of comparing the application content with specific requirements of Rules 1, 3, 6.1, 6.2, and 6.3 of the Mineral Rules and Regulations of the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board for Hard Rock/ Metal, and Designated Mining Operations. Any inadequacies are identified under the respective exhibit heading.

GENERAL APPLICATION PROCEDURES

- 1. As required by Rule 1.6.2, please submit proof of publication in a newspaper of general circulation in the locality of the proposed mining operation. *Received March 4, 2022. No further response needed.*
- 2. As required by Rule 1.6.2, please submit proof of the notice to all owners of record of surface and mineral rights of the affected land and the owners of record of all land surface within 200 feet of the boundary of the affected land; this includes all easement holders located on the affected land and within 200 feet of the boundary of the affected land. Proof of notice may be return receipts of a Certified Mailing or by proof of personal service. *Received March 4, 2022. No further response needed.*
- **3.** The Division received comments from Division of Water Resources and History Colorado regarding the application. The letters are attached for your review. *No further response needed.*

EXHIBIT C - Mining Plan (Rule 6.3.3)

4. The Division has updated the reclamation cost estimate for the site with current costs and the proposed AMI changes. The Division has calculated the required financial warranty to be \$24,900.00. This is an increase of \$3,900.00 from the current \$21,000.00 financial warranty held. A copy of the updated reclamation cost estimate is attached for the Applicant's review. The Forest Service has been provided a copy of this estimate and has concurred with the required amount. At this time, upon approval of the application, the required financial warranty for the site will be set at \$24,900.00 and you will need post the additional \$3,900.00 before commencement of AM1 activities; please contact me prior to the decision date to discuss any questions regarding the cost estimate or if you identify any errors with this calculation.

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This concludes the Division's adequacy review of this application. This letter shall not be interpreted to mean that there are no other technical deficiencies in your application; other issues may arise as additional information is supplied. Please be advised the Project P.J. permit amendment application may be deemed inadequate, and the application may be denied on May 31, 2022, unless the above mentioned adequacy review items are addressed to the satisfaction of the Division. If more time is needed to complete the reply, the Division can grant an extension to the decision date. This will be done upon receipt of a written waiver of the Applicant's right to a decision by May 31, 2022, and the request for additional time. This must be received no later than the deadline date.

If you have any questions, please contact me by telephone at 303-866-3567 x8132 or by email at elliott.russell@state.co.us.

Sincerely,

Elliott R. Russell Environmental Protection Specialist

Enclosure:	Comment Letter - Division of Water Resources AM1 M2018007
	Comment Letter - History Colorado AM1 M2018007
	Reclamation Cost Estimate AM1 M2018007

Cc: Jason Musick, Division of Reclamation, Mining & Safety