Attachment 1

Technical Memo – WHEX Pond Design



TECHNICAL MEMORANDUM WHEX POND DESIGN

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| Subject: | WHEX Sediment Pond Basis of Design |
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The existing sediment pond (EMP-18) at the Mine owned by Cripple Creek and Victor Gold Mining Company (CC&V), located north of the Wild Horse Expansion (WHEX) Pit and south of Mollie Kathleen Road (County Road 82), is currently located on a valuable clay resource that CC&V intends to excavate and use for the Vertical Leach Facility 2 (VLF2) Phase 3 expansion project. This technical memo outlines the design basis for the replacement sediment pond EMP-18b as well as two channels designed to convey stormwater from culverts into the pond.

1.0 SEDIMENT POND EMP-18B

Sediment pond EMP-18b will remain open throughout closure of the Mine, and so has been sized to contain runoff from the 500-year, 24-hour storm event. The design storm volume was calculated using an SCS type II storm in HEC-HMS. The following inputs were used in the HEC-HMS model:

- > The Precipitation Frequency Data Server from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration was used to obtain a 500-year, 24-hour storm event depth of 6.10 inches
- > The Web Soil Survey from the United States Department of Agriculture was used to obtain hydrologic soil groups, which were used to calculate a composite curve number (CN) of 67.
- Watershed area, average slope and length of the longest flow path were measured using AutoCAD Civil3D software.

A summary of the sediment pond hydrology calculations can be found in Attachment A.

Sediment loading calculations were completed using the EPA's online Pollutant Load Estimator Tool (PLET). The PLET utilizes the Universal Soil Loss Equation to calculate the total sediment



runoff from a given watershed. The soil and cover inputs used were the average values from Teller County, Colorado. A summary of inputs and calculations from the tool can be found in Attachment A.

The final pond has the capacity to store the 500-year, 24-hour storm event volume of 7.2 Mgal, 1 foot of sediment, or 27 years of storage with a volume of 0.24 Mgal, and 1 foot of freeboard. The crest of the pond is level with the closure surface around the WHEX Pit. Internal side slopes of the pond are constructed at 2.5H:1V. The filling curve for the pond can be found in Figure 1. Figure 2 shows the plan view of the proposed facility.





2.0 SEDIMENT POND INLET CHANNELS

There are three culverts numbered 1, 2 and 3, that convey stormwater under the access road south of CR82 to EMP-18b. Two of them, Culverts 1 and 3, will have rock chute channels at their outlets. These channels, the West and East EMP-18b inlet channels, are designed to convey stormwater runoff from the 100 year, 24 hour storm with a minimum 1 foot of freeboard. Stormwater runoff was calculated using HEC-HMS. Erosion protection was designed using the Rock Chute Design spreadsheet from the Natural Resources Conservation Service.



No channel was designed at the outlet of Culvert 2. This channel will discharge to a gently sloped road at a 10% grade that will convey water to EMP-18b without the need for additional erosion protection.

2.1 EMP-18b West Inlet Channel

The West Inlet Channel is located downstream of Culvert 1. The channel dimensions are 12 feet wide with 2.5H:1V side slopes, and a total depth of 2 feet. The West channel is designed as a rock chute with a chute slope of 27.4% and an outlet channel slope of 1%. A 1 foot thick layer of $D_{50} = 6$ inch riprap underlain by 10 oz/yd² geotextile will be used as erosion protection within the channel. Refer to Table 1 for a summary of channel dimensions and design criteria. A plan view of the proposed facility can be found on Figure 2.

2.2 EMP-18b East Inlet Channel

The East Inlet Channel is located downstream of Culvert 3. The channel dimensions are 12 feet wide with 2.5H:1V side slopes, and a total depth of 2 feet. The East channel is designed as a rock chute with a chute slope of 27.5% and an outlet channel slope of 1%. A 1 foot thick layer of $D_{50} = 6$ inch riprap underlain by 10 oz/yd² geotextile will be used as erosion protection within the channel. Refer to Table 1 for a summary of channel dimensions and design criteria. A plan view of the proposed facility can be found on Figure 2.

TABLES

Table 1: Channel Summary

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Attachment A: Hydrology, Sediment Loading and Rock Chute Calculations

Cripple Creek & Victor Gold Mining Company WHEX Channel Sizing Calculations Table 1 - Channel Summary

| Station | Slope (ft/ft) | 100yr, 24hr Flow (cfs) | 500yr, 24hr Flow (cfs) | Erosion Protection (D ₅₀ , in) | Roughness Coefficient | Channel Width (ft) | Channel Side Slopes (X:1) | Velocity (ft/s, 100yr24hr storm) | 100yr Flow Depth (ft) | 500yr Flow Depth (ft) | Design Depth Including Freeboard (ft) |
|---------------------------|------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------|---|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|---|
| West Channel | | | | | | | | | | | |
| West Chute | 0.274 | 15.3 | 27.9 | 6 | 0.05 | 12 | 2.5 | 5.51 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 2.0 |
| West Chute Outlet Channel | 0.010 | 15.3 | 27.9 | 6 | 0.05 | 12 | 2.5 | 1.93 | 0.6 | 0.8 | 2.0 |
| East Channel | | | | | | | | | | | |
| East Chute | 0.275 | 18.6 | 30.0 | 6 | 0.05 | 12 | 2.5 | 5.94 | 0.2 | 0.3 | 2.0 |
| East Chute Outlet Channel | 0.010 | 18.6 | 30.0 | 6 | 0.05 | 12 | 2.5 | 2.07 | 0.7 | 0.9 | 2.0 |







ATTACHMENT A: HYDROLOGY, SEDIMENT LOADING AND ROCK CHUTE CALCULATIONS

| | NewFields | CALCU | LATION COVE | R SHEET |
|--------------|---|------------------------|-----------------------|-------------|
| Client | Cripple Creek & Victor Gold Mining Company | Preparer: | Callie Urbas | 04/21/23 |
| Project | VLF2 Phase 3 | Checked: | Roxanne Li | 05/10/23 |
| Title | Pond Sizing Calculations | Revision | В | |
| | CALCULATION OBJE | | | |
| 1. Estimate | the peak runoff from upstream watersheds to design | | oond. | |
| 2. Determir | ne the required size of the diversion channels and eros | ion protection | (if necessary) | |
| | ASSUMPTION | S | | |
| 1. Composi | te SCS Curve numbers are calculated based on ground | type. | | |
| 2. Storm ev | ents will be sized according to previous meteorologica | al studies. | | |
| | 500-Year 6.10 inches | | | |
| | METHODOLOG | iΥ | | |
| 1. Area and | l length measurements were determined using AutoCA | AD Civil 3D. | | |
| 2. SCS Type | e II Storm event was modeled. | | | |
| 3. HEC-HMS | S was used to model the storm events. | | | |
| | REFERENCES | | | |
| 1. AutoCAD | Civil 3D version 2022. | | | |
| | artment of Agriculture (USDA), Natural Resources Con | servation Servi | ice (NRCS). "Part 63 | 0 Hydrology |
| National En | ngineering Handbook."210-vi, NEH, May 2010. | | | |
| 3. United St | tates Army Corps of Engineers. Hydrologic Modeling Sv | ystem (HEC-HN | /IS) Version 4.10, Co | mputer |
| Program (A | pril 2023) | | | |
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| | CONCLUSIONS | 6 | | |
| 1. See attac | ched tables for channel and culvert sizing. | | | |
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Whex Pond Hydrology

Table 9–1 Runoff curve numbers for agricultural lands ^{1/} — Continued

| Co | ver description | | CN fe | or hydrolo | gic soil gro | oup |
|---|-------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------|------------|--------------|-----|
| covertype | treatment ^{2/} | hydrologic condition [™] | Α | B | с | D |
| Pasture, grassland, or range- | | Poor | 68 | 79 | 86 | 89 |
| continuous forage for | | Fair | 49 | 69 | 79 | 84 |
| grazing ^{4/} | | Good | 39 | 61 | 74 | 80 |
| Meadow-continuous grass, protected from grazing and generally mowed for hay | | Good | 30 | 58 | 71 | 78 |
| Brush-brush-forbs-grass | | Poor | 48 | 67 | 77 | 83 |
| mixture with brush the | | Fair | 35 | 56 | 70 | 77 |
| major element ≦∕ | | Good | 30 <u>€</u> ⁄ | 48 | 65 | 73 |
| Woods-grass combination | | Poor | 57 | 73 | 82 | 86 |
| (orchard or tree farm) ^{ℤ/} | | Fair | 43 | 65 | 76 | 82 |
| | | Good | 32 | 58 | 72 | 79 |
| Woods ^{8/} | | Poor | 45 | 66 | 77 | 83 |
| | | Fair | 36 | 60 | 73 | 79 |
| | | Good | 30 | 55 | 70 | 77 |
| Farmstead-buildings, lanes, driveways, and surrounding lots | | | 59 | 74 | 82 | 86 |
| Roads (including right-of-way): | | | | | | |
| Dirt | | | 72 | 82 | 87 | 89 |
| Gravel | | | 76 | 85 | 89 | 91 |





Group Asoils have low runoff potential and high infiltration rates even when thoroughly wetted. They consist chiefly of deep, well to excessively drained sand or gravel and have a high rate of water transmission (greater than 0.30 in/hr).

Group Bsoils have moderate infiltration rates when thoroughly wetted and consist chiefly of moderately deep to deep, moderately well to well drained soils with moderately fine to moderately coarse textures. These soils have a moderate rate of water transmission (0.15-0.30 in/hr).

Group Csoils have low infiltration rates when thoroughly wetted and consist chiefly of soils with a layer that impedes downward movement of water and soils with moderately fine to fine texture. These soils have a low rate of water transmission (0.05-0.15 in/hr).

Group Dsoils have high runoff potential. They have very low infiltration rates when thoroughly wetted and consist chiefly of clay soils with a high swelling potential, soils with a permanent high water table, soils with a claypan or clay layer at or near the surface, and shallow soils over nearly impervious material. These soils have a very low rate of water transmission (0-0.05 in/hr).

In exhibit A-1, some of the listed soils have an added modifier; for example, "Abrazo, gravelly." This refers to a gravelly phase of the Abrazo series that is found in SCS soil map legends. Table 2-2d

Runoff curve numbers for arid and semiarid rangelands 1/

| Cover description | | | Curve nu – hydrologi | nbers for c soil group | |
|--|---------------------------------------|-----|-------------------------|---------------------------|----|
| Cover type | Hydrologic condition ^{2/} | А ¥ | В | с | D |
| Herbaceous—mixture of grass, weeds, and | Poor | | 80 | 87 | 93 |
| low-growing brush, with brush the | Fair | _ | 71 | 81 | 89 |
| minor element. | Good | | 62 | 74 | 85 |
| Oak-aspen—mountain brush mixture of oak brush, | Poor | | 66 | 74 | 79 |
| aspen, mountain mahogany, bitter brush, maple, | Fair | | 48 | 57 | 63 |
| and other brush. | Good | | 30 | 41 | 48 |
| Pinyon-juniper—pinyon, juniper, or both; | Poor | | 75 | 85 | 89 |
| grass understory. | Fair | | 58 | 73 | 80 |
| | Good | | 41 | 61 | 71 |
| Sagebrush with grass understory. | Poor | | 67 | 80 | 85 |
| | Fair | | 51 | 63 | 70 |
| | Good | | 35 | 47 | 55 |
| Desert shrub—major plants include saltbush, | Poor | 63 | 77 | 85 | 88 |
| greasewood, creosotebush, blackbrush, bursage, | Fair | 55 | 72 | 81 | 86 |
| palo verde, mesquite, and cactus. | Good | 49 | 68 | 79 | 84 |

 1 Average runoff condition, and $I_{\rm as}$ = 0.28. For range in humid regions, use table 2-2c. 2 Poor: <30% ground cover (litter, grass, and brush overstory). Fair: 30 to 70% ground cover.

Good: > 70% ground cover. ³ Curve numbers for group A have been developed only for desert shrub.

Cripple Creek and Victor Gold Mining Company Whex Pond Hydrology Lag Time Calculation

$$t_p = \frac{l^{0.8}(S+1)^{0.7}}{1900y^{0.5}}$$

- t_p Lag Time (hr.)
- I Length to Divide (ft)
- y Avg. Watershed Slope (%)
- CN Composite Curve Number
- S 1000/CN-10 (in.)
- la Initial Abstraction (0.2*S)

Input Values

| | Lag Ti | ime and Wa | atershed C | haracteristi | cs | | | |
|---------------------------|-------------------------|------------|------------|--------------|------|---------------------|----------------------|------|
| Watershed ^{1, 2} | Area (mi ²) | l (ft) | CN | У | S | t _p (hr) | t _p (min) | la |
| Area 1 | 3,575,518.24 | 1,921 | 67 | 22.3% | 4.87 | 0.16 | 9.8 | 0.97 |

Cripple Creek & Victor Gold Mining Company Whex Pond Sizing Calculations Watershed Summary

| Hydraulic Element | Drainage Area (Mi ²) | Peak Discharge (ft ³ /s) | Volume (acre-ft) |
|-------------------|----------------------------------|---|---------------------|
| Area-1 | 0.1283 | 263.8 | 22.0 |
| Whex Pond | 0.1283 | 263.8 | 22.0 |

500 Year-24 Hour Hec-HMS Results

Cripple Creek & Victor Gold Mining Company Whex Pond Sizing Calculations Hec-HMS Overall View



Cripple Creek and Victor Gold Mining Company Whex Pond Hydrology Lag Time Calculation

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- CN Composite Curve Number
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Input Values

| | Lag Ti | me and Wa | atershed C | haracteristi | cs | | | |
|---------------------------|-------------------------|-----------|------------|--------------|------|---------------------|----------------------|------|
| Watershed ^{1, 2} | Area (mi ²) | l (ft) | CN | У | s | t _p (hr) | t _p (min) | la |
| West WHEX Pond Channel | 524,861.65 | 1,826 | 68 | 11.7% | 4.69 | 0.21 | 12.7 | 0.94 |
| East WHEX Pond Channel | 309,069.64 | 1,565 | 78 | 23.7% | 2.87 | 0.10 | 6.0 | 0.57 |

Cripple Creek & Victor Gold Mining Company Whex Channel Sizing Calculations Watershed Summary

25 Year-24 Hour Hec-HMS Results

| Hydraulic Element | Drainage Area (Mi ²) | Peak Discharge (ft ³ /s) | Volume (acre-ft) |
|-------------------|----------------------------------|---|---------------------|
| West Channel | 0.0188 | 7.8 | 1.0 |
| East Channel | 0.0111 | 11.2 | 0.9 |

100 Year-24 Hour Hec-HMS Results

| Hydraulic Element | Drainage Area (Mi ²) | Peak Discharge (ft ³ /s) | Volume (acre-ft) |
|-------------------|----------------------------------|---|---------------------|
| West Channel | 0.0188 | 15.3 | 1.8 |
| East Channel | 0.0111 | 18.6 | 1.5 |

500 Year-24 Hour Hec-HMS Results

| Hydraulic Element | Drainage Area (Mi ²) | Peak Discharge (ft ³ /s) | Volume (acre-ft) |
|-------------------|----------------------------------|---|---------------------|
| West Channel | 0.0188 | 27.9 | 3.1 |
| East Channel | 0.0111 | 30.0 | 2.4 |



Cripple Creek & Victor Gold Mining Company Whex Channel Sizing Calculations Hec-HMS Overall View





Cripple Creek and Victor Gold Mining Company Whex Pond Hydrology Pollutant Load Estimation Tool

Inputs

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|--|-------------------------------|------------------|----------------|------------------|---------------|------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-------------------------|--------------|------------------------------|---------------|------------------|-------------------------------|--------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Wate | ershed Land | Use Area | (ac) and Pro | ecipitation (ir | ר) | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| ouble-click (| on the "HSG" fi | ield to select o | a Hydrologic S | oil Group catego | ory [NOTE: ho | over over the "I | HSG" column header | for more informa | ition]. | | | | | | | | | |
| ۷ | Watershed | | HSG | Urban | Сгор | bland | Pastureland | Forest | User Defined | Feedlots | Tot | al | Feedlots Percent Paved | | nnual ainfall | Rain Day | | Average Rain/Event |
| Custo | om Watershed | | в | 11.3 | 3 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 9.36 | 61.39 | 0.0 | 00 | 82.08 | 0-2 | 4% | 12.96 | | 68.83 | 0.4712 |
| | x x | | ter Dischar | 90 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 4. Perce | ent Nutrient ersal Soil Lo | t in Soil | n | <u> </u> | | | Parturalan | | | | Forrest | | | | | User Defined | | |
| 4. Perce 5. Unive | ent Nutrient ersal Soil Lo | t in Soil | n Cropland | | P | R | Pasturelanı K LS | | PR | к | Forest | c | P | R | | User Defined | | р |
| 4. Perce | ent Nutrient | t in Soil | n | c | P 1.00000 3 | R 30,00000 0 | Pasturelan K LS 0.13576 3.56416 | с | P R 1.00000 30.000 | K 00 0.13576 | Forest LS 3.56416 | C 0.00300 | P 1.00000 | R 30.00000 | к 0.13576 | User Defined LS 3.56416 | C 0,13065 | P 1.00000 |

| • 6. Reference Runoff Curve Nu | mber | | | |
|--------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| SHG | A | В | с | D |
| Urban | 83.00 | 93.00 | 92.00 | 93.00 |
| Cropland | 67.00 | 78.00 | 85.00 | 89.00 |
| Pastureland | 49.00 | 62.00 | 79.00 | 84.00 |
| Forest | 39.00 | 70.00 | 73.00 | 79.00 |
| User Defined | 0.00 | 62.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |

Cripple Creek and Victor Gold Mining Company Whex Pond Hydrology Pollutant Load Estimation Tool

| | | | | | | | | Outpu | ıts | | | | | | | |
|---------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---|------------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|--|------------------|------------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|
| ïtle WHEX Pond | | | | Stat Co | | ♥ Watersh | ed om Watershed |] | þ | Q Lookup | | County TELLER | | ٥ | Weather S | |
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| A | dd watershed | | ſ | Delete watersh | eds | | Gullies and | Streambanks | | ι | Jrban BMP Too | I | | Manure Ap | plication | |
| Inputs | BMPs | Total Loads | Additi | onal Referenc | e Tables | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Loads Calcu | lated | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Gr | oundwater load | calculation | | Treat all sub | watersheds as | part of a singl | e watershed | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 1. Total I | load by sul | owatersh | ed(s) | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Watershed | N Load (No BMP) (Ibs/year) | P Load (No BMP) (Ibs/year) | BOD Load (No BMP) (Ibs/year) | Sediment Load (No BMP) (tons/year) | N Reduction (Ibs/year) | P Reduction (Ibs/year) | BOD Reduction (Ibs/year) | Sediment Reduction (tons/year) | N Load (With BMP) (Ibs/year) | P Load (With BMP) (Ibs/year) | BOD Load (With BMP) (Ibs/year) | Sediment Load (With BMP) (tons/year) | % N Reduction | % P Reduction | % BOD Reduction | % Sediment Reduction |
| Custom Watershed | 217.30 | 80.49 | 459.71 | 63.75 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 217.30 | 80.49 | 459.71 | 63.75 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 |
| TOTAL | 217.30 | 80.49 | 459.71 | 63.75 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 217.30 | | 459.71 | 63.75 | 0.00 | | | |

Total annual sediment load:

63.75 tons/year

Rock Chute Design Data

(Version 4.01 - 04/23/03, Based on Design of Rock Chutes by Robinson, Rice, Kadavy, ASAE, 1998)



Rock Chute Design Data

(Version 4.01 - 04/23/03, Based on Design of Rock Chutes by Robinson, Rice, Kadavy, ASAE, 1998)



Attachment 2

Figure 1 – WHEX Pit Clay Excavation







LEGEND:



EXISTING GROUND CONTOURS PROPOSED GROUND CONTOURS EXISTING ROADS/TRAILS × — × — EXISTING FENCE EXISTING CULVERT



Attachment 3

Figure 2 – WHEX Pit Excavation Reclamation





Attachment 4

TR-137 WHEX Clay Borrow Reclamation Costs

| Table 1: TR-137 Additional WHEX Clay Borrow Reclamation | | | | | | | | | |
|---|--------|-----------|----------|----|------------|--|--|--|--|
| Task | Unit | Unit Cost | | | Total Cost | | | | |
| WHEX Clay Borrow Topsoil (CY) | 6575.0 | \$ | 1.64 | \$ | 10,757.36 | | | | |
| WHEX Clay Borrow Revegetation (Acre) | 8.2 | \$ | 1,667.37 | \$ | 13,589.07 | | | | |
| DRMS Indired | \$ | 6,938.73 | | | | | | | |
| | \$ | 31,285.15 | | | | | | | |

| Current Bond Held | \$ 209,491,188.00 |
|--|----------------------|
| Current Financial Warranty (TR-133 Update) | \$ 208,742,229.26 |
| TR-137 Liability Amount | \$ 31,285.15 |
| New Financial Warranty | \$ 208,773,514.42 |
| Surplus Financial Warranty | \$ 717,673.58 |