



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

July 10, 2023

Lori Smith
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Dear Ms. Smith,

On June 26, 2023, the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division/DRMS) received your responses to the Division's preliminary adequacy review dated June 14, 2023. After review of your responses, the DRMS engineering staff identified one item with the following adequacy concern:

4. Flow Path and Lag Time: The response was not adequate. A quick review of the lag time calculations shows the three down chute analyses have acceptable lag times between 11 and 16 minutes. Yet the single watershed WHEX Pond lag time is nearly 57 minutes for very little extra travel distance. An investigation of the WHEX pond lag time calculation revealed 2.5 miles of total travel distance. Referencing Figure 2, the total runoff travel distance is on the order of 3,200 feet. Please correct this error and resubmit.

This concludes the Division's Adequacy Review No. 2 of TR-137. The Division reserves the right to further supplement this document with additional items and/or details as necessary.

The decision date for this revision is currently set for July 24, 2023. If additional time is needed to address any adequacy items, an extension request must be received by our Office prior to the decision date.

If you need additional information or have any questions, please contact me by telephone at 303-866-3567 x8126, or by email at nikie.gagnon@state.co.us.

Sincerely,

Nikie Gagnon

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