



PITCH RECLAMATION PROJECT

Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety
Room 215
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Denver, Colorado 80216

9 August 2023

Attn: Dustin Czapla

Notice of Completion of Reclamation and Request for Release of Responsibility for Forest Service Lands on the Pitch Mine Reclamation Permit, No M-1977-004.

Dear DRMS:

Homestake Mining Company of California (HMC) has completed reclamation of Forest Service lands within their permit area and requests release of reclamation responsibility.

An amendment (AM-01) to the Permit No. M-1977-004 for the Pitch Mine Site was approved in 2020 and details the affected lands and proposed reclamation for each.

The affected lands included in this request for release of reclamation responsibility total 2,302.67 acres and consist of:

- Operable Unit 10: Haul and Access Roads, consisting of 99.1 acres. Consists of the access road between the Marshall Pass Road (Forest Service Road #3243) and the private property access control gate;
- Operable Unit 7: Limestone quarry, consisting of 4.9 acres;
- Operable Unit 9: Millsite and Stormwater Pond, consisting of 18.1 acres;
- And an additional 2,180.57 acres outside of the operating units but within the permit boundary.

The access road reclamation is summarized in Section 5.10.2 of Exhibit E – Amended Reclamation Plan. The road template has successfully been reduced to a width of 22 ft, the crown of 4 to 6% has been reestablished, culvert catch basins have been rebuilt and the inlet and outlet of each culvert on the road alignment has been cleaned.

The limestone quarry reclamation is summarized in Section 5.7.2 of Exhibit E - Amended Reclamation Plan. The area has been regraded to the final topography shown in the plan and currently supports revegetation and reseeding.

The mill site and stormwater pond reclamation is summarized in Section 5.9 of Exhibit E - Amended Reclamation Plan. Previous reclamation was inspected in 2018 (CRDMS, 2018) and noted that final grading had been completed and that the area had been seeded and vegetation was well established.

HMC requests to return the affected lands to:

United States Forest Service

Gunnison National Forest

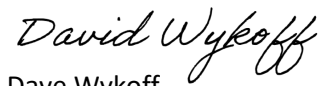
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By signing below, I hereby declare all applicable requirements of the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Act, associated Rule and Regulations, and approved reclamation plan have been completed with respect to the affected lands.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "David Wykoff".

Dave Wykoff

Closure Supervisor, Pitch Reclamation Project
Homestake Mining Company of California