

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

August 15, 2023

Miranda Kawcak Twentymile Coal, LLC 29515 Routt County Road No. 27 Oak Creek, CO 80467

RE: Foidel Creek Mine- File No. C-1982-056, Minor Revision No. 323 (MR323) Adequacy Review #2

Dear Miranda Kawcak:

The Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) has reviewed the above referenced revision. MR323 was found complete on August 9, 2023. Please respond to the following comments or concerns as necessary:

- 1. More information is needed to clarify proposed activities in relation to the bond calculation. Please provide the following:
 - a. Max acreage of access roads outside of pre-existing ranch roads which may need to be constructed to complete the proposed corehole drilling
 - b. Acreage, volume, and quantity of mud pits to be constructed
 - c. Diameter in inches of drill holes to be completed. If an exact measurement is not available for this specific drilling project, the Division will bond for worst case scenario as outlined in the PAP, which is a corehole diameter of 10.7 inches
 - d. What depth of topsoil will be stripped and replaced on drill pad, access road, and mud pit locations?
- 2. Please provide the Division with a copy of the Class III survey which is referenced to be 'in progress' with Metcalf Archeological Consultants.
- 3. Comments received from other agencies have been attached to this letter.

This letter shall not be construed to mean that there are no other technical deficiencies in your application. The Division will review your application to determine whether it is adequate to meet the requirements of the Act after submittal of all required items. The Division's proposed decision date for this revision is currently set for August 19, 2023. If you have any questions, please contact me at (720) 868-7757 or hunter.ridley@state.co.us.

Sincerely, Hunter C. Ridley



Hunter Ridley

Environmental Protection Specialist CC: Michael Cunningham, DRMS



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Ridley - DNR, Hunter < hunter.ridley@state.co.us>

RE: Foidel Creek Mine (Permit No. C-1982-056), Minor Revision No. 323 (MR-323), 2023 Exploration Coreholes (HC# 67400)

2 messages

Marques - HC, Matthew <matthew.marques@state.co.us> To: Hunter Ridley - DNR <hunter.ridley@state.co.us> Fri, Aug 11, 2023 at 11:10 AM

Hi Hunter,

In order to complete our review for the above referenced undertaking, we request additional information on the location of proposed access routes as well as any staging areas. Please provide a map showing the location of the proposed boreholes as well as access routes and staging areas for our review.

We also understand that a class III cultural resource inventory was completed as part of your historic property identification efforts for the undertaking. We request that a copy of the results of this inventory are provided for our review.

Please let me know if you have any questions or would like to discuss this over the phone.

Thank you,

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Matthew Marques

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Marques - HC, Matthew <matthew.marques@state.co.us> To: "Ridley - DNR, Hunter" <hunter.ridley@state.co.us>

Hi Hunter,

Thank you for sending those documents for our review and attempting to locate information about the access roads and staging areas. The document labeled "Archaeology Survey" consists of a letter discussing a report that is in "progress." Could you please provide a copy of the report for our review? The report should include information on methodology used as well as the results of the inventory. We require information on the methodology in order to understand the adequacy of efforts completed and whether we agree with the results of the inventory.

Please let me know if you have any questions or would like to discuss this over the phone.

Thank you again, [Quoted text hidden]