



August 28, 2023

Sturges Karban  
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**Re: Camp Bird Tailings Exploration Project, Notice of Intent to Conduct Prospecting Operations Modification (MD-2), File No. P-2012-017, Adequacy Review 2**

Dear Mr. Karban,

On August 10, 2023 the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) received your response to the Division's Adequacy Review dated August 4, 2023. During review of the material submitted, the Division determined that the following issue(s) of concern shall be adequately addressed before a decision can be rendered.

**Section IV, Operation and Reclamation Measures**

1. The revised responses indicate the 8 drill holes will be temporarily capped with PVC to allow for future access. While that is acceptable for temporary closure methods, please provide details regarding the final plugging and abandonment methods as well as the hole depth anticipated. Please note that any holes that encounter groundwater or fracture flows will need to be properly sealed pursuant to Hard Rock and Metals Mining Rule 5.4.2.

The current Decision Date for your application is Monday September 11, 2023. Please submit your responses to the above listed issues by Tuesday September 5, 2023 to allow the Division sufficient time to review. If additional time is required to address the items, please submit a Decision Due Date Extension Request to the Division prior to September 11, 2023. If your responses or a Decision Date Extension Request are not received by the current Decision Due Date, your application may be denied.

If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact me. Direct contact can be made at the Division's Grand Junction Field Office, by phone at 303-866-3567 Ext. 8187 or by email at [lucas.west@state.co.us](mailto:lucas.west@state.co.us).

Sincerely,

Lucas J. West  
Environmental Protection Specialist



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