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King Mine 3rd Quarter Pond Inspection Report Review

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Good morning All,

Attached is the Division's review letter for the King Mine's 3rd Quarter Pond Inspection Report and King II Sediment Pond Annual Certification. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Clayton Wein

Environmental Protection Specialist



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Michael Dickson
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**RE: King Coal Mine, Permit No. C-1981-035
3rd Quarter 2023 Sediment Pond Inspection Report Review for
The King I and King II Mine and Annual Certification for the
King II Mine Sediment Pond**

Dear Mr. Dickson,

The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (the Division) has reviewed the Sediment Pond Inspection Report for the 3rd Quarter of 2023 and Annual Certification for the King II Mine Sediment Pond. The reports were received on October 9, 2023. The Division finds the reports to be in compliance with the following Rules:

4.05.9(17) – All impoundments are inspected quarterly, by a qualified person designated by the operator, for the appearance of structural weakness and other hazardous conditions. The inspection was conducted on September 28, 2023. The reports are retained at the King Mine Office, and copies of the reports are submitted to the Division on a quarterly basis.

4.05.9(15)(a) – No indications of seepage, erosion or animal burrows were identified in the 3rd quarter. Spillways for the ponds were noted to be in good repair and functional.

4.05.9(15)(b) – The existing required monitoring procedures were met for the King I and King II Mining Area.

4.05.9(15)(c) - The amount of water impounded in the ponds was documented in the report to be about 2 feet in the King I ponds and an unknown amount in the King II pond. The King II Pond is currently being cleaned. Some water was impounded in the pond, but below the primary discharge outlet..

4.05.9(15)(d) – The existing storage capacity of the impoundments was documented in the report.

4.05.9(15)(e) – The 3rd quarter report did not list any other aspects of the structure affecting stability, or requiring maintenance.



This concludes the Division's review of the Sediment Pond Inspection Report for the 3rd Quarter of 2023 and Annual Certification for the King II Mine Sediment Pond. If you have any questions, please contact me at (303)-866-3567 x8185 or clayton.wein@state.co.us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Clayton Wein". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

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cc: Travis Marshall, Senior Environmental Protection Specialist