



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

January 30, 2024

Don Coram  
Gold Eagle Mining, Inc.  
P.O. Box 3007  
Montrose, CO 81402

**Re: Hawkeye Mine, Permit No. M-1978-311, Surety Release Request (SL-1), Full/ Final Release**

Dear Mr. Coram,

On January 30, 2024 the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) deemed your request for the Full and Final Release Request for the Hawkeye Mine, Permit No. M-1978-311 located in San Miguel County complete for the purposes of filing.

Pursuant to Hard Rock and Metals Mining Rule 4.17.4 (1)(b) (enclosed) the Operator must publish a public notice once, in a newspaper of general circulation in the area of the mining operation. Please provide proof of publication from the newspaper within thirty (30) days of the date of this letter. The proof of publication should be sent to the Division's Denver office no later than Thursday February 29, 2024. The public comment period will continue for thirty (30) days after the date of publication.

If you have any questions, comments or concerns please feel free to contact me at the Division's Grand Junction Field Office, by email at [lucas.west@state.co.us](mailto:lucas.west@state.co.us) or by phone at (303)-866-3567 Ext. 8187.

Sincerely,

**Lucas West**  
Environmental Protection Specialist  
Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety

CC: Travis Marshall, DRMS

EC: Don Coram, Golden Eagle Mining, Inc.



Financial Warranties applicable to reclamation described in the notice shall be deemed released as a matter of law.

- (4) Where the Office finds that a Permittee has not complied with the applicable requirements of the Act, Rules and Regulations, or the approved reclamation plan, it shall advise the Permittee of such non-compliance not more than sixty (60) calendar days after the date of the inspection.
- (5) Where the Office finds that a Permittee has successfully complied with the requirements of the Act, Rules and Regulations, and the approved reclamation plan, the Office shall release all applicable performance and financial warranties. Release (pending an appeal) shall be in writing and mailed within thirty (30) calendar days to the Permittee after the date of such findings. However, an appeal to the release of the financial and performance warranties shall stay the release on the thirtieth (30th) day pending a Formal Board Hearing.

#### **4.17.3 Reserved**

#### **4.17.4 Specific Provisions – Designated Mining Operations**

##### **(1) Public Notice Requirements – Request for Release of Financial Warranty**

113(6)

- (a) Upon filing an electronic Notice of Completion and a Request to Release Financial Warranty for a Designated Mining Operation, the Operator shall publish a Public Notice according to the following guidelines.
- (b) At the time of filing a written Notice of Completion or Request for Release of Financial Warranty, the Operator shall publish once in a newspaper of general circulation in the area of the mining operation for which a reduction or release of Performance and Financial Warranties is sought. The Notice shall specify the following:
  - (i) the name of the mining operation;
  - (ii) the location of the mining operation in relation to the nearest municipality, giving direction and miles;
  - (iii) a brief statement of what is being requested and that public comments concerning the appropriateness of the requested release should be sent within thirty (30) days of the date of publication to the Office to the address for the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, listed on the cover of these Rules.
  - (iv) the Operator shall submit proof of publication as provided for in Rule 1.6.2(1)(a)(ii).

117(5.5)

##### **(2) Partial and Final Release of Financial Warranty**