



**Date:** February 7, 2024

**To:** Mined Land Reclamation Board

**From:** Lucas West, DRMS

**RE:** C-JD-5, Burros Mine, Ellison Mine; DRMS File No. M-19-77-248, M-1977-297, M-1978-342;  
Reclamation Deadline Extension Request

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The following documents have been included in this Board Packet:

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| 1. Final Reclamation Schedule, DRMS                        | June 29, 2021    |
| 2. Operator's Request for Hearing, Gold Eagle Mining, Inc. | January 16, 2024 |
| 3. Notice of Hearing, DRMS                                 | February 1, 2024 |
| 4. Extension Request Memo, DRMS                            | February 7, 2024 |

Thank you for your Consideration,

Sincerely,  
DRMS Staff





June 29, 2021

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

**Re: Burro Mine (M-1977-297), Hawkeye Mine (M-1978-311), Ellison Mine (M-1978-342): Final Reclamation Schedule**

Dear Mr. Coram,

On June 28, 2021 the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) administratively Changed the status of the above listed sites. The status has been updated to a Permanent Cessation- Final Reclamation Status. This status is effective as of January 7, 2013 when the Division received notice of final reclamation from Gold Eagle Mining.

Pursuant to C.R.S. 34-32-116(7)(q) all reclamation of the sites shall be completed within 5 years from the date the Operator notified the Mined Land Reclamation Board (Board) that final reclamation commenced. Gold Eagle sent notification of final reclamation rather than submitting an Environmental Protection Plan, dated of January 7, 2013 reclamation. However a court injunction against the Department of Energy (DOE) prevented activities on DOE sites from occurring. On March 18, 2019 the injunction was dissolved allowing access and reclamation to occur. Therefore, the five year clock commenced and all reclamation must be completed by March 18, 2024.

In order to ensure the Operator is on track to complete final reclamation of the sites, the Division is requesting the Operator provide a planned schedule for completing reclamation activities at each of the sites. **Within 30 days of the date of this letter please notify the Division of the Operator's planned schedule for completion final reclamation of these sites.** The notice should be received by the Division's Denver Office no later than Friday, July 30, 2021.

If you have any questions, or concerns please do not hesitate to contact me 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 West**  
Environmental Protection Specialist  
Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety

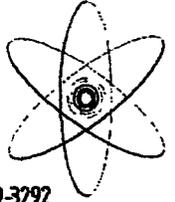


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Colorado Division of Reclamation,  
Mining and Safety

Gold Eagle Mining, Inc.



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January 10, 2024

**Subject: Request a hearing for an extension of March 18, 2024 reclamation date**

Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board

Room 215

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Denver, CO 80216

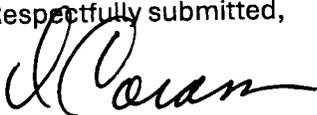
To Whom it May Concern:

My name is Don Coram, I am the President of Gold Eagle Mining, Inc. GEMI is the holder of 4 DRMS permits, the Ellison M-1978-342, Burros M-1977-297, CD-JD-5-1977-248, and Hawkeye M-1977-248. I am requesting a hearing concerning the extension of the date of March 18, 2024 due to extenuating circumstances.

Reclamation has occurred on all permits, but only the Hawkeye has been completed. Lack of clarity has been an issue. My intention was to begin reclamation in November, which would have given me plenty of time to complete the reclamation. It was told, that I would need BLM approval even though 2 out of the 3 permits were on deeded land, not BLM. I attempted to contact BLM and no response was received. After meeting DRMS, DOE and BLM, the situation was clarified, but I was up against to January 1 through March 15 BLM wildlife protection window, even though I am the surface rights owner on 2 of the 3 permits.

Reclamation of the Hawkeye M-1977-248 has been completed and released.

Respectfully submitted,



Don Coram

President

Gold Eagle Mining, Inc.

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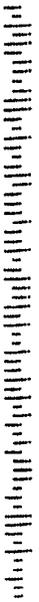
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February 1, 2024

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

**Re: C-JD-5, Burros Mine, Ellison Mine, Permit Nos. M-1977-248, M-1977-297, M-1978-342, Notice of Hearing**

Dear Mr. Coram,

On January 30, 2024 the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) received your request for a Hearing before the Mined Land Reclamation Board (Board) for an extension to the March 18, 2024 Reclamation deadline. This notice is to inform you that this item, regarding the above listed sites, has been placed on the agenda for the February 21-22, 2024 meeting of the Board.

The Formal Public Hearing will be held during the February 21-22, 2024 Board Meeting for the consideration of your request. The hearing will be held at 1313 Sherman Street, Room 318, Denver, Colorado, beginning at 9:00 AM on February 21, 2024, as soon thereafter as the matter can be considered.

In order to be considered at the hearing, all exhibits, materials and witness testimony you wish for the Board to consider must be submitted via email to the MLRB Administrator, Cammille Mojar at: [dnr\\_drms\\_mlrb\\_submittals@state.co.us](mailto:dnr_drms_mlrb_submittals@state.co.us), no later than 5:00 PM, February 12, 2024.

Please note that the format of the meetings does allow virtual appearance via (ZOOM), if you wish to appear virtually, please submit an email to the MLRB Administrator no later than 5:00 PM, Monday February 12, 2024. If accepted, you will receive an authorization code to attend the meeting for this matter. Only Parties and those who will be testifying may attend by Zoom. All other interested persons may attend the hearing via the MLRB YouTube Channel: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCDrrAO8bIPFIowce-yH1fWA>.

The Board's agenda may not be finalized until the week of the Board meeting. Therefore, we recommend you contact the Boards Administrator, Camille Mojar by telephone at (303)-866-3567, Ext. 8136 or by email at [Cammilemojar@state.co.us](mailto:Cammilemojar@state.co.us) on Tuesday February 20, 2024. If you have any other 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  
Russ Means, DRMS  
Jeff Fugate, AGO

EC: Don Coram, Golden Eagle Mining, Inc.



**MEMO**

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Dear Members of the Board,

On January 16, 2024 Don Coram of Gold Eagle Mining Submitted an Extension Request for the 5 year reclamation deadline of the above listed sites. The reclamation deadline is currently set at March 18, 2024. The Division is in support of a limited extension, until Tuesday October 1, 2024 for JD-5, Burros and Ellison Mines. This extension would allow the Operator to continue working with all stakeholders, Department of Energy, Bureau of Land Management and the Division, and to complete reclamation by the end of the 2024 field season. Thank you for your consideration,

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

