



March 4, 2024

Matt Welte
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RE: Stocks Clay Mine – File No. M-1977-324, Technical Revision (TR-2), Adequacy Review #1

Dear Matt Welte:

On February 27, 2024 the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) filed your Technical Revision request (TR-2) for the Stocks Clay Mine, Permit No. M-1977-324. During review of the material submitted, the Division determined that the following issue(s) of concern need to be adequately addressed before the Technical Revision can be considered for approval. Please provide the following:

1. A modified Exhibit C Mining Plan map has been provided with the submittal of TR-2 to show updates to the Phased boundaries and outline all ‘possible future mining’ areas of the Stocks Clay Mine. The Reclamation Plan Map, Exhibit E, will also need to be revised to show the final reclamation design for all ‘possible future mining’ areas. Please submit this updated Exhibit E to the Division. If any new ‘possible future mining’ areas will require any reclamation tasks unique to those set out in the current Reclamation Plan, please also update and submit a revised Reclamation Plan narrative which details a plan for these future mining areas.
2. The reclamation cost estimate (Exhibit L) will need to be updated to reflect the increase in affected area to 35 acres. Please provide estimates for the overburden material volumes needed to be placed for any slopes and or highwalls which would need reclamation assuming the full 35 acres of affected land are disturbed at once.
3. As discussed via email, please provide a .kmz file for the Mining Permit Boundary. If possible, please also include .kmz files for Phases 1 and 2 of the operation.

Please submit your response(s) to the above listed issue(s) by **March 19, 2024**, in order to allow the Division sufficient time for review. If you cannot address the above issues by such date, please request an extension to the decision due date in order to ensure adequate time for the Division to review the materials. A decision due date of March 28, 2024 has been set. If any adequacy issues remain by the decision due date the Division may deny your request.



The Division will continue to review your Technical Revision and will contact you if additional information is needed.

If you require additional information, or have questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at 720-868-7757 or hunter.ridley@state.co.us

Sincerely,
Hunter C. Ridley

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Hunter Ridley". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "H" and "R".

Environmental Protection Specialist
CC: Russ Means, DRMS