

## **Department of Energy**

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Via email: dlcoram@msn.com

Mr. Don Coram Sr., President Gold Eagle Mining Inc. PO Box 3007 Montrose, CO 80401

Subject: Gold Eagle Mining Inc. Uranium Mining Leases DE-RO01-19LM70240 and DE-RO01-19LM70253 Reclamation Plans and Environmental Checklist Meeting

Dear Mr. Coram:

Thank you for meeting with the U.S. Department of Energy Office of Legacy Management (LM) on March 4, 2024. This letter and attached meeting notes are to summarize the topics we discussed and the recommended next steps for Gold Eagle Mining Inc. (GEMI) to move forward with reclamation actions.

LM and the Legacy Management Support (LMS) contractor staff are prepared to review revised Environmental Checklists (LM-Form-4-20-22.0-0.1) and revised reclamation plans as soon as they are submitted by GEMI for C-SR-13 and C-JD-5. To facilitate the successful preparation and submission of these documents, we advise GEMI to hire a qualified environmental consultant. Such an environmental consultant must be experienced in working with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), threatened, endangered, or sensitive plant or wildlife species, and cultural and historic resources as defined in the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA).

LM and LMS will make our best efforts to review and process these documents in a timely manner once they are received and determined to be complete. Prompt submittal is necessary to allow LM, LMS, and partner agencies adequate time to review and grant approval within GEMI's timeframe for reclamation.

In addition to the resubmittal of GEMI's reclamation plans and Environmental Checklists, class III cultural surveys will need to be conducted and provided to LM. These surveys will need to be performed by a qualified consultant covering the area of proposed action on C-SR-13 and to determine historic eligibility of the archaeological site on C-JD-5. Wildlife surveys for all areas of proposed actions must also be completed and submitted.

To help facilitate environmental reviews LM also requests that GEMI provide an update for any stormwater permits held through the State of Colorado. For each of the sites with a stormwater permit, please include each permit's status and permit number.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (970) 640-6088 or at <u>Ian.Shafer@lm.doe.gov</u>.

Sincerely, IAN SHAFER

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