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Rimrock Exploration and Development Inc.  
Attn: Alan Chiles  
3010 Bookcliff Ave.  
Grand Junction, CO 81504

Dear Mr. Chiles:

The Rimrock Exploration and Development Notice (Notice) to conduct exploration drilling at T47N, R17W, Section 31 was received in this office on 5/2/2024. The Notice has been assigned Bureau of Land Management (BLM) case file number COCO106369131. Please refer to this number in any future communication concerning this project.

Consistent with the surface management regulations at 43 CFR §3809.311(a), the BLM has reviewed the Notice to determine if it meets the content requirements at 43 CFR §3809.301(b). Based on our review, the following information is required for the Notice to be complete:

1. The Notice, map, and photo log describes an inconsistent amount of drill holes. Include the total amount of intended drill sites along with their locations, approximate depths, and access routes. Ensure dimensions of drill pads, drill holes, and mud pits match the appropriate size of proposed equipment and disturbance footprint.
2. Include a project schedule. A specific project schedule is required in order to determine reclamation timing, cost, and whether the activity will cause unnecessary or undue degradation. Please note that a Notice can only be accepted for work to be done in a two year period. Therefore, the proposed activity schedule should not exceed two years. If for some reason the work is not accomplished within two years, the Notice may be extended at its expiration date. If you want to conduct additional exploration based on your initial test results, you can request the Notice be modified under 43 CFR §3809.330 to account for additional activity.
3. A reclamation cost estimate is required in order for your Notice to be consider complete (43 CFR §3809.301(b)(4)). Please provide this estimate in accordance with the requirements at 43 CFR § 3809.552.

Until a complete notice is filed with this office, the BLM is unable to determine that your proposed operations will not result in unnecessary or undue degradation as defined under 43 CFR §3809.5. In addition, we are unable to make a determination as to the amount of the required financial guarantee.

Please submit the required information at your earliest convenience. Until we receive this information your Notice cannot be processed, and the proposed exploration activity is not to take place. Conducting the proposed activities before filing an acceptable Notice as required by 43 CFR §3809.21 is a prohibited act under 43 CFR §3809.605(b). Failure to suspend all unauthorized activities will result in enforcement action under 43 CFR § 3809.601.

If you have any questions, please contact Uncompahgre Field Office geologist, Vincent Beresford at (970) 240-5333 or [vberesford@blm.gov](mailto:vberesford@blm.gov).

Sincerely,

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