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Ms. Hunter Ridley
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Office of Mined Land Reclamation
1313 Sherman Street, Room 215
Denver, Colorado 80203

Re: Permit No. M-1980-244; Cripple Creek & Victor Gold Mining Company; Cresson Project; Technical Revision 142 – Adequacy Review Response

Dear Ms. Ridley:

On June 20, 2024, Newmont Corporation's Cripple Creek and Victor Gold Mining Company (CC&V) received the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (DRMS) Adequacy Review #2 of Technical Revision (TR) 142 to Permit M-1980-244, regarding the South Cresson Backfill Project. Below are DRMS comments in **bold** and CC&V's responses in *italics*.

1. **While the 'Drawing F-1: Approximate Post Mining Topography Cresson Project' map makes it clear that the haul road between the South Cresson Pit and VLF1 will not remain in final reclamation, it is unclear if the backfill operations proposed in TR142 will completely envelop this haul road immediately or not. Please clarify for the Division if the proposed backfill for the South Cresson Pit will effectively remove the haul road that is currently in place between the South Cresson Pit and VLF1. If the haul road will remain after backfilling operations proposed in this TR are completed, please add this feature to the second map submitted with the previous response, 'TR142- F1 South Cresson Backfill'.**

Please see the attached South Cresson Backfill Overview Map. This map is a zoomed-out version of the TR142-F1 South Cresson backfill map. The overview map shows the haul road that will remain after South Cresson backfill has been completed.

2. **The Division has calculated a reclamation cost estimate for TR142 based on CC&V's adequacy review responses. A copy of the estimate has been provided with this letter. The Division requests that CC&V review this calculation and submit any questions before the application decision date.**

CC&V is in agreement with the DRMS reclamation costs estimate of \$98,749 associated with the South Cresson backfill.

Should you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact Johnna Gonzalez at (719)851-4190, Johnna.Gonzalez@Newmont.com, or myself at (719) 237-3442 or Katie.Blake@newmont.com.



Sincerely,

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Attachments: South Cresson Backfill Map

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Crusher

VLF1

10,270

10,230


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9,990

B

A

Backfill Limit (9,830)
Volume: 3.6M cubic yards
Surface Area: 20.80 Acres



Cripple Creek and Victor
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TR142 South Cresson Backfill

Author: B. Doering


Date: 6/27/2024


File: South Cresson Backfill Overview


Scale 1"=375'



Legend

 Steep Walls No Backfill

 Proposed Backfill

 Haul Road

A East - West Cross Section

B North - South Cross Section

