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## King Mine, C-1981-035, 3rd Quarter Professional Certification of the Coal Mine Waste Banks Report Review

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Tue, Oct 15, 2024 at 11:57 AM

To: Michael Dickson &lt;michael@summitmining.co&gt;

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Hi Michael,

Attached with my email is the Division's review of the King Mine's 3rd Quarter Certification for the Coal Mine Waste Banks. Please note the adequacy question on the second page of the review. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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October 15, 2024

Michael Dickson  
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6473 County Road 120  
Hesperus, CO 81326

**RE: King Coal Mine, Permit No. C-1981-035**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2024 Professional Certification for the Coal Processing Waste Piles**

Dear Mr. Dickson,

The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (the Division) has reviewed the Professional Certification for the Coal Processing Waste Piles for the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of 2024. The report was received on October 9, 2024. **Please note the adequacy question outlined at the end of this report.** The Division finds the report to be in compliance with the following Rules:

**4.10.2(1)** – The coal waste piles were inspected, on behalf of the person conducting surface coal mining operations, by a qualified registered engineer on September 30, 2024.

**4.10.2(2)(a)** – The inspection was conducted quarterly as required by the Division.

**4.10.2(2)(b)** – The inspection included observations necessary to evaluate the potential hazard to human life and property, to ensure that all organic material and topsoil have been removed and that proper construction and maintenance are occurring in accordance with the plan submitted under Rule 2.05.3(8) and approved by the Division.

**4.10.2(2)(c)** – The engineer considered the steepness of the slopes, seepage, and other visual factors which would indicate potential failure, and the results of failure with respect to the threat to human life and property.

**4.10.2(2)(d)** – Copies of the inspection findings are maintained at the mine site.

**4.10.2(3)** – There were no potential hazards identified in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Professional Certification for the Coal Processing Waste Piles.



**Adequacy Question:**

1. In the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Report, there are statements regarding Reach 10 indicating that the ditch required maintenance. **Was the recommended maintenance to Reach 10 completed? When was the maintenance to Reach 10 completed?**

This concludes the Division's review of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2024 Professional Certification of the Coal Processing Waste piles for the King Coal Mine. If you have any questions, please contact me at (720)-762-6156 or [clayton.wein@state.co.us](mailto:clayton.wein@state.co.us).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Clayton Wein". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

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cc: Travis Marshall, Senior Environmental Protection Specialist GJFO