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## OSMRE and BLM Concurrence, Trapper SL-25 Bond Release

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Fri, Nov 22, 2024 at 1:29 PM

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Cc: "Strand, Howard" <HStrand@osmre.gov>

Hi Robin and Graham, here are the concurrence letters from OSMRE and BLM.

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November 22, 2024

Jason Musick  
Director - Coal Regulatory Program  
Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety  
1313 Sherman Street, Room 215  
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Re: Partial Phase I Bond Release SL-25; Trapper Mining, Inc.; Trapper Mine; C-1981-010

Dear Mr. Musick,

This letter acknowledges the Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (OSMRE), Denver Field Branch's (DFB) receipt and review of the Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety's (DRMS) October 18, 2024, Proposed Decision and Findings of Compliance regarding the Partial Phase I Bond Release at the Trapper Mine.

By email dated April 29, 2024, DRMS invited OSMRE to attend the SL-25 field inspection; OSMRE did not participate in the inspection which was held on May 21, 2024. The ownership of the land for which bond release has been requested is state and private, and the coal ownership mined was federal and state. Accordingly, in a letter dated November 22, 2024, the Bureau of Land Management - Little Snake Field Office provided their concurrence with DRMS's proposed decision.

DRMS's proposed decision notes Trapper Mining, Inc.'s compliance with the approved Colorado regulatory program at Rule 3.03.1(2)(a) and recommends approving partial Phase I bond release on 316.5 acres at the Trapper Mine. DRMS currently holds a performance bond in the amount of \$45,100,000.00 which covers the entire permit area including the acreage proposed for release. Under SL-25 DRMS proposes to release a total of \$2,625,420.96 from Phase I bond liability. OSMRE concurs with DRMS's proposed decision.

Thank you and your staff for coordinating this bond release action through the OSMRE Denver Field Branch. Please direct any questions to Dan MacKinnon, AML and Regulatory Program Specialist, at [dmackinnon@osmre.gov](mailto:dmackinnon@osmre.gov).

Sincerely,

Howard E. Strand, Manager  
Denver Field Branch

C: Trapper Mining, Inc.