

April 16, 2025

Memo to the File

To: Engineering Task Force

From: Amy Yeldell, EPS III

RE: Min-Continent LST, File No. M-1982-121 , Request to Review TR-9 Highwall Stabilization

Engineering Task Force,

The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division) received TR-9 from the Mid-Contient LST, File No. M-1982-121. It was filed on April 10, 2025 and currently has a decision due date of May 10, 2025. The Rock Failure and Stability Report that was previously presented to the Engineering Task Force in 2023. That original report was approved under TR-6 and proposed rock bolting as a means of highwall stabilization. Through discussions with the Operator they wish to revise that plan. TR-9 provides a solution to highwall stabilization within the current DRMS boundary that could be implemented immediately in the event of revocation and forfeiture. New or revised engineering evaluations area presented. I am requesting assistance from the Task Force to review the provided documents and provide feedback or questions as necessary. The Task Force shall determine if the information submitted is acceptable to the Division as a path moving forward. And ensure that the Report / Plan complies with the Act and the Rules.

If you require additional information, or have questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

Sincerely,

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