



COLORADO
Division of Reclamation,
Mining and Safety
Department of Natural Resources

April 18, 2025

Mr. Ben Langenfeld
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**Re: Division Comment, First Quarter 2025 Groundwater and Surface Water Monitoring Report;
Gold Hill Mill, Permit No. M-1994-117**

Dear Mr. Langenfeld,

On April 17, 2025, the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety (Division/DRMS) received the First Quarter 2025 Groundwater and Surface Water Monitoring Report for the Gold Hill Mill. After review of the submission the Division has the following comment.

At this time the Division does not consider the First Quarter 2025 monitoring data to qualify as one quarter of pre-operation monitoring because the data was not collected and analyzed in a manner consistent with the approved Water Monitoring Plan and what the Operator/Permittee committed to in CN-1, approved on February 7, 2024. Failure to follow the approved permit or conditions of permit and failure to demonstrate disturbances to the prevailing hydrologic balance of the affected land and of the surrounding area and to the quantity or quality of water in surface and groundwater systems are minimized are subject to enforcement actions by the Division.

If you have any questions or need further information, please contact by email at patrick.lennberg@state.co.us.

Sincerely,

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