



July 1, 2025

Harry Colborn
Badger Hole LLC
10889 Co Rd 320
Rifle, CO 81650

**RE: JOKER PLACER PROJECT, FILE NO. P-2024-015, BADGER HOLE LLC,
MODIFICATION REQUEST (MD1), DEFECIENCY REVIEW NO. 1**

Dear Harry Colborn:

On June 11, 2025, the Division of Reclamation, Mining and (Division) found your Modification Request (MD1) to be complete for the purpose of filing. The Division has reviewed the Modification application for deficiencies. Please address the following items:

1. Please confirm for the Division if the narrative in Item No. 5 on page 6 of the application suggests that all 18 sample sites *combined* will be less than 1.5 acres.
2. Please inform the Division if the settling pond portion of MM Reservoir #2 will be reclaimed at the conclusion of prospecting activities or if the pond will be cleaned out and left in place. If the settling pond portion of MM Reservoir #2 will be reclaimed, what is the acreage of this area out of the 1.2 acres total for the entire MM Reservoir #2?
3. For the purposes of bonding, please provide the Division with a length in liner feet for the water line to be installed (above and below ground) in support of wash plant operations.

Financial Warranty:

Please note the Division will estimate the cost to reclaim the site based on the Modification application and your response to the review issues above. Please be reminded that the proposed prospecting operations identified in the application may not commence until the deficiencies are addressed and the bond is submitted and approved by the Division.

Please provide a written response to address the above deficiencies within 60 days of this notice (August 31, 2025) or the Division may deny the application.

If you require additional information, or have questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at 720-868-7757 or hunter.ridley@state.co.us

Sincerely,
Hunter C. Ridley



Hunter Ridley

Environmental Protection Specialist
CC: Zach Trujillo, DRMS