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

Dear Ms. Ridley:

Per your letter of request, here is our written response to your three questions.

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.

Response:

There was a typo on the online form, which should have been less than 0.15 acres each site instead of 1.5 acres each. The correct acreage was indicated on the table which was included in the package and is copied here again to show the correct figures:

Each sample site 0.1469 acres  
Total for 18 sites 2.6442 acres

<b><i>Item Description</i></b>	<b><i>Sq. Feet each</i></b>	<b><i>Acres each</i></b>	<b><i>Acres total</i></b>
<b>Trenches</b>			
#s 1 to 18	6400	0.1469	2.6442
<b>Access Paths</b>			
#1	5911	0.1357	
#2	2903	0.0667	
#3	1759	0.0404	
#4	1507	0.0346	
#5	7637	0.175	
#6	3540	0.081	0.5334
<b>MM Reservoir #2</b>	52,272	1.2	1.2
<b>Pump</b>	100	0.002	0.002
<b>Water Line 6" Pipe</b>	83	0.002	0.002
<b>Wash Plant</b>	452	0.011	0.011
<b><i>TOTAL AREA</i></b>			<b><i>4.3926</i></b>

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?

Response:

The settling pond (upper) portion of the MM Reservoir #2 will cover 0.4 to 0.6 acres depending on fill level.

The settling pond will remain in use after the period of prospecting, for use in mining (the mine plan application will follow shortly). Then it will be cleaned if needed and left in place.

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

Response:

It is not planned to line this area of the pond. The bottom is already clay rich and will hold the water to an acceptable level for the planned usage. As no chemicals will be used in the process, there are no chemicals to leach into the ground water.

If a liner were to be required, the suggested liner would be approximately 175x125 feet.

We realize the financial warranty is needed, and are prepared to post this additional bond as soon as you have the final figure.

Please let me know if you need any additional response to your questions.

I am available after 3pm most days for a call.

Thank you for your assistance in our applications!

Best regards,

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