

July 28, 2025

Mr. Clayton Wein Environmental Protection Specialist Colorado Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety 1313 Sherman Street, Room 215 Denver, CO 80203

RE: New Horizon Mine (Permit No. C-1981-008) Minor Revision No. 137 (MR-137)

Topsoil Movement – Landowner Letters

Dear Mr. Wein:

Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association Inc. (Tri-State), is the parent company to Elk Ridge Mining and Reclamation, LCC (ERMR), New Horizon Mine. Therefore, Tri-State on behalf of ERMR is submitting MR-137 to Permit No. C-1981-008. MR-137 updates the topsoil movement map at the request of the surface landowners and provides landowner letters requesting specific items for their respective properties.

If you have any questions about the enclosed minor revision, please contact Tony Tennyson at (970) 824-1232 or tony.tennyson@tristategt.org.

Sincerely,

Docusigned by:
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Chris Gilbreath Senior Manager, Remediation and Reclamation

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Enclosures

cc: Tony Tennyson (via email)

File: G474-11.3(21)b-5

Introduction

Contained within this attachment are the landowner requests for the Adjacent Support Facility (ASF) areas on their respective properties. The post mine land use ASF areas applicable to these letters contained in this attached is shown on Map 2.05.4-5.

Patrica Morgan has requested that the ASF on her property have the topsoil pile removed, the area not be reclaimed (e.g. not topsoil and seeded), and that sand is replaced on the property once the topsoil pile is removed.

Slash M., LLC has requested the Bench 1 stockpile removed from the property and transported to another area on the Slash M., LLC property outside the permit boundary. Slash M., LLC has also requested that Topsoil Piles 11A and 11 B remain on the property permanently.

Please see the following letters documenting these requests.

July 8, 2025

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RE: Sand Request

Dear Mr. Wein,

The New Horizon Mine (Permit No. C-1981-008) has a topsoil pile on my property within the mine permit boundary that will be moved prior to Phase III bond release on my property. The post mine land use for my property is an adjacent support facility area as shown on Map 2.05.4-5 in Permit No. C-1981-008. To support my property directly outside and adjacent to the mine permit boundary adding sand instead of reclaiming my property within the mine permit boundary would be beneficial to improve my property.

Therefore, I, Patrica Morgan, the surface landowner, hereby request that my property not be reclaimed (e.g. topsoil and seeded), and Elk Ridge Mining and Reclamation, LLC replace sand on my property once the topsoil pile is removed.

If you have any further questions about this request, please feel free to call me at (970) 428-1936 at your convenience.

Sincerely,

Patricia Morgan

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RE: Topsoil Pile Retention Request

Dear Mr. Wein,

The New Horizon Mine (Permit No. C-1981-008) has a bench 1 pile and two topsoil piles on my property within the mine permit boundary. The bench 1 and topsoil stockpiles on my property are excess topsoil from mining and reclamation activities that are not necessary for successful reclamation activities at the mine and are beneficial to my property post-mine.

I, JoEllen Turner, as the manager of Slash M. LLC, which is the surface landowner, and in accordance with Rule 2.05.5(1)(b), hereby request that the bench 1 pile be removed from the permit boundary and placed on an adjacent area on my property. The two remaining topsoil piles, piles 11A and 11B, I request to remain permanently on my property. This topsoil will be a beneficial use for my property post mine.

If you have any further questions about this request, please feel free to call me at (970) 417-8151 at your convenience.

Sincerely, Jolelle Gunn S/ASH M SFV

JoEllen Turner Slash M., LLC