



August 18, 2025

City Manager  
City of Idaho Springs  
1711 Miner Street, Box 907  
Idaho Springs CO 80452

**RE: Hukill Gulch Millsite, Permit No. M-2009-076, Notice of Request for Temporary Cessation 2<sup>nd</sup> Period**

Dear City Manager:

This letter is to inform Counties and Municipalities within two miles of a mining operation of the intent of Operator to put their mining operation into a state of temporary cessation for a second five year period. This letter is sent pursuant to the requirement of Rule 1.13.7 of the Rules and Regulations of the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board.

Please be advised that Venture Resources, Inc., whose address and telephone number are 25044 County Road 25, La Junta, Colorado has filed a Notice of Temporary Cessation – 2<sup>nd</sup> period, with the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety for the Hukill Gulch Mill operation. The mill is located in Section 26, Township 3S, Range 73W, in Clear Creek County.

The period of temporary cessation is retroactive and will commence at the end of the first five-year period which ended on November 1, 2024, and will last up to five years from that date. The notice submitted to the Division contains information pertaining to the reasons for cessation of the mining operation, a plan for resumption, and the measures taken to comply with reclamation and other necessary activities related to the performance standards of Rule 3 of the Rules and Regulations in order to maintain the mine in a non-producing or non-development state.

Any person directly and adversely affected or aggrieved, as defined by Rules 1.1(50) and 1.13.7(3)(d), may file a written objection with the Division regarding this Notice of Temporary Cessation on or before Friday, September 12, 2025. The Notice of Temporary Cessation will be placed on the agenda for consideration by the Board at the September 17 and 18, 2025 Board meeting. If the Division receives a timely objection to the Notice of Temporary Cessation, the Board will hear the objection as a contested matter. The hearing will be held at 1313 Sherman Street, Room 318, Denver, Colorado 80203, beginning at 9:00am on September 17, or as soon



thereafter as the matter can be considered. During that meeting, the Board will consider whether to accept the Notice.

If you have any questions, please contact me at Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety, 1313 Sherman Street, Room 215, Denver, CO 80203, by telephone at 720-527-1640 or by email at [nikie.gagnon@state.co.us](mailto:nikie.gagnon@state.co.us).

Sincerely,



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