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Cc: [Bart Miller](#); mayor@jamestownco.org; [#LandUsePlanner](#)
Subject: RE: Please Deny Gold Hill Minerals, LLC's Application
Date: Monday, May 07, 2012 9:02:53 AM

Dear Corey and Sandra Kirschner:

Thank you for submitting your comments. We will take your concerns under consideration during the review of the subject application, and will make them a part of the public record for the docket.

We will investigate and follow-up on some of the questions you raised, which were not addressed in the application materials, such as what outside lighting is proposed. Please be aware that any exterior lights would need to comply with Boulder County's down-lighting regulations. The Development Plan Review application materials for this prospecting/exploration project can be viewed on the Land Use Dept's website at this link: <http://www.bouldercounty.org/property/build/pages/docketdetails.aspx?docid=349>

Best regards,
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-----Original Message-----

From: Corey Kirschner [<mailto:corey.kirschner@jimtown.org>] On Behalf Of Corey Kirschner
Sent: Sunday, May 06, 2012 7:16 PM
To: Michael.Cunningham@state.co.us; Sanchez, Kimberly
Cc: Bart Miller; mayor@jamestownco.org
Subject: Please Deny Gold Hill Minerals, LLC's Application

Dear Mr. Cunningham, Ms. Sanchez et al.:

My name is Corey Kirschner and I am a resident of Jamestown, Colorado.

My wife and I own the property at 170 Mesa Street (on the west end of Jamestown) which is very close to the mining operations sites being proposed by Gold Hill Minerals, LLC. (of Miami Beach, Florida).

I urge you to deny the approval of Gold Hill Minerals, LLC.'s application and prohibit any such prospecting or mining operations in the vicinity of Jamestown!

My wife and I are deeply concerned that the scope of the proposed mining operations will adversely affect our health, as well as the health of our neighbors, our pets, the surrounding watershed and ecosystem, and will negatively affect our already depressed property values!

According to the Notice of Intent-Prospecting Operation Application dated April 16, 2012, Gold Hill Minerals LLC. intends to drill 50, 1000 foot deep cores into hard rock as well as other digging and trenching on a minimum of 11 sites, using a variety of drilling and earth-moving machinery, including the use of explosives, for a period of 11 months and 29 days, for the initial prospecting stage alone, with potential longer-term undisclosed mining operations to follow.

This type of prolonged operation with sustained high-noise levels, exhaust, chemical fumes, on-site hazardous materials, and airborne particulate pollution is simply not acceptable near any place where men, women and children live, work and go to school.

I remind you that Jamestown Elementary School as well as the entire town is in close proximity to, and down-wind, and down-stream from the proposed mining site!

These operations would necessitate considerable additional commercial truck traffic on the already highly-traversed Left Hand and James Canyon roads which are also popular with recreational bicyclists,

motorized off-road vehicle and fire-arms enthusiasts.

It is also my understanding that Gold Hill Minerals, LLC. intends to operate their machinery 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, which would make sleeping totally impossible, especially for all of the residents on the west end of town that would be extremely close to the proposed operations!

Furthermore, Gold Hill Minerals, LLC. has not addressed the fact that they would need to install an extensive lighting system, throughout their 11+ operation sites, that would have to be powered by additional generators, in order to carry-out their operations at night, which would artificially illuminate our night skies with an extreme level of light pollution.

After all the countless hours of hard work that people in Jamestown have done over the years to restore our severely-damaged watershed, clean-up the hazardous waste left behind by decades of now-abandoned mining operations and limit access to reckless, noisy motorized off-road recreational vehicles, the last thing we want would be a new mining operation that could potentially undo all we've worked to achieve, desecrate our environment and diminish our quality of life!

My wife and I moved to Jamestown in 1996 because of the peace and quiet of this area, the beauty and serenity of the forest, the diversity of wildlife, and the dark, starry night skies.

I do a lot of contract work from home including music and voice-over audio recording which requires the absence of ambient noises.

The quietude of Jamestown has been a perfect environment for me in this capacity.

My work would be totally disrupted by this type of mining operation, and I will potentially lose my ability to generate income in my home-studio.

Also, my wife and I are very sensitive to airborne dust and we would be greatly and adversely affected by any fall-out being generated up-wind from us!

Gold Hill Minerals, LLC.'s proposed mining operation is simply a bad idea, motivated solely for their profit, and would provide no benefit or service to Jamestown or Boulder County.

This type of operation should be prohibited outright!

Thank you for the opportunity to voice our concerns; and thank you in advance, for doing the right thing for Jamestown, its residents and the environment, by denying approval of the Gold Hill Minerals, LLC. Notice Of Intent-Prospecting Operation Application!

Sincerely,

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