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July 14, 2022

Richard Reycraft, PhD  
Department of Cultural Affairs  
Historic Preservation Division  
407 Galisteo Street, Suite 236  
Santa Fe, NM 87501

**RE: Request for Comments on Revision 22-1 to Mt. Taylor Mine, Permit No. CI002RE, Rio Grande Resources Corporation**

Dear Dr. Reycraft:

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Sincerely,

David Ohori, Permit Lead  
Mining Act Reclamation Program (“MARP”)  
Mining and Minerals Division

cc: Holland Shepherd, MARP Program Manager  
Mine File (CI002RE)

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Matthew Wunder, PhD., Chief  
Conservation Services Division  
New Mexico Department of Game & Fish  
P.O. Box 25112  
Santa Fe, NM 87504

**RE: Request for Comments on Revision 22-1 to Mt. Taylor Mine, Permit No. CI002RE, Rio Grande Resources Corporation**

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Anne Maurer, Mining Act Team Leader  
Mining Environmental Compliance Section  
Ground Water Quality Bureau  
New Mexico Environment Department  
P.O. Box 26110  
Santa Fe, NM 87502

**RE: Request for Comments on Revision 22-1 to Mt. Taylor Mine, Permit No. CI002RE, Rio Grande Resources Corporation**

Dear Ms. Maurer:

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Katie Zemlick, Hydrology Bureau Chief  
New Mexico Office of the State Engineer  
P.O. Box 25102  
Santa Fe, NM 87504

**RE: Request for Comments on Revision 22-1 to Mt. Taylor Mine, Permit No. CI002RE, Rio Grande Resources Corporation**

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Laura McCarthy, State Forester  
State Forestry Division  
New Mexico Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department  
1220 So. St. Francis Dr.  
Santa Fe, NM 87505

**RE: Request for Comments on Revision 22-1 to Mt. Taylor Mine, Permit No. CI002RE, Rio Grande Resources Corporation**

Dear Ms. McCarthy:

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August 31, 2022

Mr. Richard Wilhelm  
USDA Forest Service, Cibola National Forest  
2113 Osuna Rd., NE, Suite A  
Albuquerque, NM 87113

**RE: Request for Comments on Revision 22-1 to Mt. Taylor Mine, Permit No. CI002RE, Rio Grande Resources Corporation**

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Curtis Chee, Acting District Ranger, USDA Forest Service, Cibola National Forest, Mt. Taylor Ranger District  
Jenna Padilla, Geologist, USDA Forest Service, Cibola National Forest  
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