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August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022

Mr. David Ennis  
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Mining and Minerals Division  
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Santa Fe, New Mexico, 87505

Submitted via email: [david.ennis@state.nm.us](mailto:david.ennis@state.nm.us)

**Re: SUPPLEMENT TO REQUEST FOR PERMIT EXTENSION FOR MINIMAL IMPACT EXPLORATION OPERATION NEAR MOGOLLON IN CATRON COUNTY, NEW MEXICO PERMIT CA027EM**

Dear Mr. Ennis:

Summa Silver Corp. (Summa) is sending this letter as a supplement to the previously submitted permit extension request letter dated July 14, 2022 (the Original Letter) for Part 3 permit no. CA027EM (the Part 3 Permit). For your reference, the Original Letter is attached.

Summa strives to be an industry leader in developing and implementing best-practice mineral exploration techniques, including protecting the environment and endangered species. We recognize that the Mexican Spotted Owl (MSO) is a species of concern. Summa has completed the first-year survey of a two-year study on MSO breeding and fledgling-dependency activity in the area of interest. The completed first-year survey used, and second-year survey will use U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Mexican Spotted Owl Survey Protocol (2012) and both surveys will have been conducted in accordance with New Mexico Department of Game and Fish recommendations.

The most significant finding of the first-year survey is that no Mexican spotted owl nests or roosts were discovered nor were known to occur within the survey area of interest. Therefore, activities approved by the minimal impact exploration permit are not located in an area likely to result in adverse impact on the Mexican spotted owl.

To clarify our Part 3 permit application renewal request, Summa will not conduct exploration drilling activities before September 1, 2022 during the current MSO breeding and fledgling-dependency period, nor has it conducted exploration drilling activities since the beginning of that period. Summa will again cease exploration drilling activities on March 1, 2023, prior to the beginning of the 2023 MSO breeding and fledgling-dependency period. Summa will then conduct a second year of MSO surveying by qualified biologists using U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Mexican Spotted Owl Protocol (2012) and in accordance with New Mexico Department of Game and Fish recommendations.

Any potential request by Summa to conduct exploration drilling during the 2023 breeding and fledgling-dependency period of March 1, 2023 through August 31, 2023 will only be made, if at all, once the results



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of the second MSO survey are received and again demonstrate that no MSO nests or roosts were discovered nor were known to occur within the survey area of interest. Should such a request be necessary, it will be done in collaboration with New Mexico Mines and Minerals Division staff.

We look forward to your response. If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact me at (618) 263-8664 or email at [cyork@summasilver.com](mailto:cyork@summasilver.com)

Sincerely,

Chris York  
VP Exploration

cc: *Jerry Schoeppner*



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PERMIT CA027EM**

Dear Mr. Ennis:

Summa Silver Corp. (Summa) is sending this letter to request an extension of the minimal impact drilling permit no. CA027EM (the Permit) for the exploration drilling project near Mogollon in Catron County, New Mexico.

During the fall of 2021 and winter of 2022, Summa completed six exploration boreholes and partially completed two additional exploration boreholes. Exploration boreholes were drilled from two of the nineteen permitted drill pad locations. On March 1, 2022, Summa paused exploration drilling activities to allow for the uninterrupted completion of Mexican Spotted Owl surveys by qualified biologists using the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Mexican Spotted Owl Protocol. Summa was therefore unable to complete the proposed work as described in the Permit. The current permit term expires on September 8, 2022.

Summa respectfully requests a one-year extension to the Permit. The extension will allow for Summa to complete additional exploration boreholes in compliance with the original Permit. There will be no change in the amount of proposed disturbance within the permit area. All work will remain in compliance with the Permit.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact me at (618) 263-8664 or email at [cyork@summasilver.com](mailto:cyork@summasilver.com)

Sincerely,

Chris York  
VP Exploration

**From:** [Chris York](#)  
**To:** [Ennis, David, EMNRD](#)  
**Subject:** [EXTERNAL] Re: Summa Silver Request for Extension of Permit CA027EM  
**Date:** Tuesday, July 19, 2022 11:16:00 AM

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Hi DJ,

We do not wish to make any changes to the language in the original permit. We would like to request to add Perfromatrol 930 by Baroid and Big Bear Rod Grease by Di-Corp to the list of approved muds. Both are used on various projects here in Nevada.

Thanks DJ,  
Chris

On Thu, 14 Jul 2022 at 14:20, Chris York <[cyork@summasilver.com](mailto:cyork@summasilver.com)> wrote:

Dear Mr. Ennis,

Please see the attached letter to request extension of Permit CA027EM – Minimal Impact Exploration Operation Near Mogollon in Catron County, New Mexico.

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