

State of New Mexico  
Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

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January 30, 2026

Mike Thompson  
Cibola Resources, LLC  
18032 County Road G  
Cortez, CO 81321

RE: Permit Modification 26-1 Application Determined Administratively Complete Permit Tracking No. CI018EM (Mod 26-1), Cebolleta Uranium Exploration Project in Cibola County, NM

Dear Mr. Thompson,

Pursuant to 19.10.3.302 NMAC, the New Mexico Mining and Minerals Division has determined that a Minimal Impact Exploration Permit Modification 26-1 Application & fee (application) received January 26, 2026 is administratively complete. The application was submitted by Cibola Resources, LLC (Cibola), for its Cebolleta Uranium Exploration Project and proposes to modify the permit to change from closed loop drilling to mud pits. This project has an active permit CI018EM that was renewed in July 2025, and as such, MMD is processing this application as a minimal impact exploration permit modification pursuant to 19.10.3.302 & 19.10.4.406 NMAC.

MMD will now distribute the application to other reviewing state, federal and tribal agencies to begin technically reviewing the application pursuant to 19.10.3.302 (G) NMAC.

If you have any questions, please contact me by email [samantha.rynas@emnrd.nm.gov](mailto:samantha.rynas@emnrd.nm.gov).

Sincerely,

Samantha Rynas, Permit Lead  
Mining Act Reclamation Program ("MARP")  
Mining and Minerals Division

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Mine File CI018EM