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Kennecott Exploration - Steeple Rock Project - Reclamation Report

Dear Mr. Chisler,

Please see the accompanying report regarding Kennecott Exploration's completion of the reclamation work at the Steeple Rock Project. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns regarding the reclamation.

Yours sincerely

John Storie Senior Project Geologist

cc. E. Best C. Roberts

In February of 2020, Kennecott Exploration Company completed construction of two exploration drilling sites, permitted as 19PDS-Fr and 19PDS-Ir under the <u>GR082EM Kennecott Steeplerock Minimal</u> <u>Impact Exploration Permit</u>. New access trails leading to both sites, and maintenance on the existing access road were also constructed at the same time.

No boreholes were constructed on either site, thus no hole abandonment was necessary. While active, all sumps that were created were kept fenced, and no disturbance or entrapment to wildlife was noted during this period. Reclamation of the two drill sites and associated access trails was completed November 10th – 13th, 2020. All reclaimed areas were immediately re-seeded using the native seed mix recommended by the MMD, with the exception of Arizona fescue (Festuca arizonica) in place of Bush muhly (Muhlenbergia porter); this substitution having been approved by the MMD prior to placement (a copy of the seed mix is provided in Figure 3 below). The area where the drilling sites were constructed is on an active cattle ranch, where livestock have access to the area, as such, straw mulch was not placed. The sites were left unfenced at the request of the landowner. The minimum maintenance that was done to the existing "Goat Camp Road" was largely left as is. Any berms or ridges that were created from driving the heavy equipment through were flattened, especially in the (dry) washes, to allow any runoff to flow unimpeded, and such that no fill was added to the wash.

The total amount of disturbed area was calculated at 0.75 acres (0.23 acres per drill site, and 0.29 acres for the access trails), all of which was reclaimed. Reclamation photos can be found below. A follow up visit will be scheduled for April 2021 to check on the progress of the reclamation and to see if any additional work or seeding is needed.





Figure 1: Location map of Kennecott drill sites with landowner status and roads. Drill sites are located in T16S R21W S33 NW1/4, Grant County. New Mexico/Arizona border is on the left quarter of the image.





Figure 2: Kennecott drill sites and access trails. Existing roads are in red, and reclaimed roads are in black.

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Figure 3: Native seed mix used for re-seeding of reclaimed areas.



Figure 4: 19PDS-Fr before construction of drill site.



Figure 5: Drill site 19PDS-Fr after construction, before reclamation.





Figure 6: Site 19PDS-Fr after reclamation.

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Figure 7: Wash crossing going to 19PDS-Fr.

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Figure 8: 19PDS-Ir after reclamation.

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