

Closeout/Closure Activity Update: August 2022

Work activities were delayed by numerous heavy rainfall events and resultant muddy site conditions. Material characterization and management are ongoing. Project planning and contracting continued.

Activities

Closeout/Closure Activities

- Production Shaft Headframe Removal
 - Removal is postponed until after bird nesting season
 - Continued discussions with vendor on controlled blasting options
- Shaft Plugging
 - Continued with planning activities
- Discharge Pipeline Removal
 - Submitted a draft work plan to the US Forest Service per the Special Use Permit (where the pipeline crossed USFS land)
 - Conducted a phone meeting with the US Forest Service to discuss the draft work plan
- Depressurizing Well Transfer Pipelines
 - Began removing the transfer piping for the depressurizing wells
 - Removed the line from the water tank area to the DW-16 pad area
 - Began removing the line above the water tank area towards the DW-17 pad area

Forecasted Activities

Closeout/Closure Activities

- Upcoming dismantling work:
 - 24-ft "Production" Shaft Headframe
 - Continue removal of Dewatering Well transfer piping
 - Removal of corrugated discharge pipeline (old)
 - Continue removal of process water pipelines
- Upcoming construction work:
 - Plugging the 14-ft and 24-ft shafts

Critical Path Items

Approval of the disposal cell expansion

Delays

- Earth moving projects are delayed until the disposal cell expansion is approved
- Well-plugging and abandonment is delayed pending approval of the deep aquifer monitoring plan