

Closeout/Closure Activity Update: December 2021

Work priorities continued to focus on dismantling projects as RGR awaits approval of the Disposal Cell Expansion and Radiological Survey Work Plan. Closure projects have been impacted. Closeout/closure work focused on continued cleanup and consolidation of debris from around the site in preparation for upcoming closeout/closure projects.

Highlights - dismantled the following:

- 1) Chiller Pump Building
- 2) Quonset Hut/Emergency Hoist building (Storage Building)
- 3) Shaft Heat Buildings
- 4) Cooling Towers
- 5) Mix tanks

Activities

- 1) Ore Pile Removal
  - Removal and transportation of the ore pile material continued
  - Approximately 1,350 tons of low-grade ore were hauled off site during the month
    - To-date hauled: approximately 59,590 tons
    - RGR estimates there to be approximately 5,000 to 6,000 tons of ore remaining
    - RGR continues to be plagued by contractor trucking problems
      - For the month of December, the trucking contractor significantly missed daily ore-haulage quotas
        - Personnel lost-time days continued to be significant, as well as time lost due to holidays at the mill and mine
        - Three weather days (snow)
- 2) Closeout/Closure Activities
  - Removed equipment, cleaned up debris and scrap and continued preparing for the upcoming dismantling work
    - Removed all lightbulbs from the 14-ft shaft headframe
    - Began removing lightbulbs from the 24-ft shaft headframe
  - Dismantled the:
    - Quonset Hut/Emergency Hoist building (Storage Building)
    - Chiller Pump building
    - Compressor building
    - Cooling Towers
    - Removed mix tanks
  - Prepared the Sewer Plant for demolition:
  - Continued work on cleanup of the MWTU area

### Forecasted Activities

- 1) Ore Pile Removal: Anticipating completion in late February 2022, or early March, depending on trucking reliability
- 2) Closure Activities
  - Upcoming demolition and dismantling work:
    - Discharge Pipeline
    - Process water piping
    - Headframes and ventilation structure
    - Shaft plugging
    - IX Building
    - Sewer Plant

### Critical Path Items

Approval of eastward expansion of the disposal cell

### Delays

- Earth moving projects are delayed until the disposal cell expansion is approved
- Demolition projects are somewhat delayed as RGR awaits approval of the radiological survey work plan
- Well-plugging and abandonment is delayed pending approval of the deep aquifer monitoring plan