Closeout/Closure Activity Update Report Mt Taylor Mine, Rio Grande Resources Corp.

Closeout/Closure Activity Update: March 2022

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 for the month focused on continued cleanup and consolidation of debris from around the site.

Period Ending: March 31, 2022

Date: 4/20/22

Activities

- 1) Ore Pile Removal
 - Removal and transportation of the ore pile material continued
 - Approximately 1,500 tons of low-grade ore were hauled off site during the month
 - o To-date hauled: approximately 64,540 tons
 - RGR estimates there to be approximately 1,500 to 2,000 tons of ore remaining in the pile
 - Contracted trucking problems were average
 - ◆ Driver lost-time days and scheduled days off
 - ♦ Truck mechanical issues
- 2) Closeout/Closure Activities
 - Continued removing equipment from buildings and laydown areas
 - o Removed equipment and materials from the Core Shed
 - o Moved equipment from the equipment laydown area above the water tank
 - Equipment was related to old shaft sinking operations
 - Continued cleaning up debris and scrap
 - o Removed broken concrete from around the Barium Chloride building
 - o Removed broken concrete from around the Flocculant building
 - o Began removing broken concrete from around the Carpenter shop
 - Continued working on shaft plug designs for construction

Forecasted Activities

- 1) Ore Pile Removal: Anticipating completion at end of April, depending on trucking reliability and material density
- 2) Closure Activities
 - Upcoming dismantling work:
 - 24-ft "Production" Shaft Headframe
 - Process water piping
 - 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