

### Closure Activity Update: October 2021

Work priorities continued to focus on demolition 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 cleanup and consolidation of debris from around the site in preparation for upcoming demolition projects. Preparations included completing equipment removal and scanning materials for contamination.

Bid requests were sent out for the demolition of the two headframes and the ventilation structure. A contract was issued for the demolition of several structures. The work is anticipated to begin in late November and includes demolition of the:

- 1) Chiller Pump Building
- 2) Quonset Hut/Emergency Hoist building
- 3) Shaft Heat Buildings
- 4) Compressor Building
- 5) Sewer Plant
- 6) Cooling Towers
- 7) Mix tanks

### Activities

#### 1) Ore Pile Removal

- Removal and transportation of the ore pile material continued
- Approximately 2,360 tons of low-grade ore were hauled off site during the month
  - To-date hauled: approximately 56,380 tons
- RGR conducted a study of the tonnage factor of the remaining ore pile:
  - The study confirmed that the ore tonnage factor of the ore pile was highly variable
  - The recalculated ore tonnage factor is significantly different from the historic number
  - RGR estimates there to be approximately 6,000 to 8,000 tons of ore remaining, based on the assumed tonnage factor recently calculated
    - RGR projects the ore haulage project to be completed by late February 2022
  - RGR continues to be plagued by contractor trucking problems
    - The trucking contractor continues to miss the daily quota of trucks hauling ore
      - Mechanical failures and personnel lost-time days continue to be significant

#### 2) Closeout/Closure Activities

- Removed equipment, cleaned up debris and scrap and prepared for the upcoming demolition work
- Continued work on cleanup of the MWTU area
  - Removed process water pipelines
  - Continued removing soils in the basin north of Pond 4
- Removed previously broken concrete (hydraulic structures) from the MWTU Ponds
  - Pond 4
  - Pond 5
  - Pond 6
  - Pond 7

### Forecasted Activities

- 1) Ore Pile Removal: Anticipating completion in late February 2022
- 2) Closure Activities
  - Upcoming demolition work:
    - Emergency Hoist/Quonset Hut Building
    - Shaft Heat Building
    - Chiller Pump Building
    - Compressor Building
    - Discharge Pipeline
    - Cooling Towers
    - Process water piping (in progress)
    - 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