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Reclamation Deadline and Meeting Requirements, Southwest Resources Inc., Section 12 Mine, McKinley Co., NM, Permit Tracking No. MK046RE

Greetings:

The New Mexico Mining and Minerals Division (“MMD”) and the New Mexico Environment Dept (“NMED”) received the *Final Reclamation Plan (“FRP”), Southwest Resources Inc. (“SRI”), Section 12 Mine, McKinley Co., NM, Permit Tracking No. MK046RE*, dated July 2020 and responded with *Conditional Approval for Final Reclamation Plan, Southwest Resources Inc. (“SRI”), Section 12 Mine, McKinley Co., NM, Permit Tracking No. MK046RE*, dated November 16, 2020.

Currently MMD is awaiting response and completion of Conditions 1,3, and 9 of the Conditional Approval. Additionally, MMD is requesting proof of completion for Tasks 1,2, and 3 found in Table 5 of the Final Reclamation Plan. **Please provide MMD updates for the above-mentioned items within 14 days of receipt of this letter.** Furthermore, MMD will be requiring virtual monthly update meetings until completion of Task 16 in Table 5 of the Final Reclamation Plan. **Please contact MMD within 7 days of receipt of this letter to set up the first meeting.**

Per the *Director’s Order of Abatement on Consent Section 12 Mine, McKinley County, New Mexico*, signed January 14, 2020 (“D.O.”), SRI shall align all future submittals with the timelines specified in Sections 30 – 36 of the D.O and *Table 5 Proposed Reclamation Schedule*, of the Final Reclamation Plan, dated July 2020.

Should you have any questions, comments, or require additional information concerning this letter, please contact me at (505) 490-0967, or via email at: holland.shepherd@state.nm.us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'H. Shepherd', written in a cursive style.

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