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From: Moos, Dean K.
Sent: Tuesday, January 5, 2021 4:59 PM
To: Noel, Jesse
Cc: Hamre, John G.
Subject: Rev. 32 and 33 to KRSB-8603

Jesse,

After some thought on your inquiry/informal request to withdraw Rev. 32 and incorporate all the changes into the forthcoming Rev. 33 to KRSB-8603, the Reclamation Division believes that Westmoreland should continue to work on Rev. 32 (respond to the October 9, 2020 technical deficiency letter) and submit Rev. 33 to address pre-renewal items including items identified in Rev. 32. The notice has been published for Rev. 32 and landowner notification letters have been sent. While there will be some duplication in the two revisions, we believe it best to pursue approval of Rev. 32 as well as the submittal of Rev. 33. In addition, we received comments from two landowners on Rev. 32 and although they did not request an informal conference, we believe it would be best to continue to working on Rev. 32 and address their concerns.

Hopefully we can get the reclamation plan approved with Rev. 32. I am concerned that since Rev. 33 will be associated with a permit renewal, any delay (i.e., informal conference) could hold up the renewal. The technical review letter for Rev. 32 was sent to you nearly three months ago. Ideally we would have Rev. 32 approved prior to Rev. 33.

Let me know if you have any questions.

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Email to Jesse Noel regarding Rev. 32 & 33
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Thanks for looking into this Dean. We will proceed accordingly.



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