

## **PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

### **Abandoned Mine Lands Division**

#### Memorandum

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Subject: Close out of Contract Number AM-808-19 for the 2019-2020 Sinkhole Filling AML Project, Case No. AM-19-79

On April 11, 2019, the Commission entered into Contract No. AM-808-19 with Earthworm Excavating for the 2019- 2020 Sinkhole Filling AML Project. This two-year project involved filling dangerous sinkholes caused by the collapse of underground mine workings. The AML Division recommends closure of this contract.

Work began on May 13, 2019 and was completed on November 11, 2020. Approximately 280 dangerous sinkholes were filled at sites near Beulah, Bowman, Garrison, Haynes, Havelock, Scranton, Lefor, SW Hebron, SW Tioga, New Salem, Velva, Wilton, and White Earth.

The contract amount was \$199,996.26. One change order was issued to increase mobilization and tillage/seeding. The total amount paid to Earthworm Excavating under this contract was \$187,816.65 or about 6% under the contract amount.

The project was supervised by the AML team as a whole. All work was completed satisfactorily. The contractor certified all employees, subcontractors and suppliers used for fulfilling the terms of the contract have been paid. The final invoice has been paid to Earthworm Excavating.

Attached is a motion for the December 16, 2020 Commission Meeting to close out Contract AM-808-19 with Earthworm Excavating.