



# Public Service Commission

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Dear Mr. Sundsbak,

The Reclamation Division has reviewed and approves Westmoreland Beulah Mining's (WBM) August 28, 2025 letter regarding the Notice of Violation (NOV) 2501 Remediation Plan, including the topsoil removal map received on September 2, 2025. It is understood that WBM will remove all topsoil approximately 25 feet around each sample point that does not meet the topsoil requirements in NDAC 69-05.2-08-10(1)(a). WBM will minimize loss of non-contaminated topsoil by stripping topsoil for access routes to any contaminated areas that are isolated and then restore topsoil on the route after removal is complete. The contaminated topsoil that will be removed will be replaced with topsoil sourced from stockpiles 16-11-1 and 16-13-1.

Please provide the AutoCAD file of the topsoil removal boundaries, as discussed during the phone call with Reclamation Division staff and Mr. Sundsbak on September 4, 2025, prior to work commencing.

If you have any questions, please contact this office.

Sincerely,

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