Closeout/Closure Activity Update Report Mt Taylor Mine, Rio Grande Resources Corp.

## Closeout/Closure Activity Update: June 2022

Work activities continued to focus on dismantling projects as RGR awaits approval of the Disposal Cell expansion. Closure projects have been impacted. The majority of the dismantling projects have been completed. Material characterization and management are ongoing. Project planning continued.

Period Ending: June 30, 2022

Date: 7/22/22

### Activities

### Closeout/Closure Activities

- Production Shaft Headframe Removal
  - o Removal postponed until after bird nesting season
  - Planning work continued, began preparing for job bidding
- IX Plant Dismantling
  - o Equipment disposition discussions continued
  - Planning work continued
- Shaft Plugging
  - o Continued work on construction drawings
  - Construction planning continued
- Discharge Pipeline Removal
  - o Continued preparations for discussions with US Forest Service
- Process Water Pipeline
  - Cut and encased piping wrapped with an asbestos-containing material (non-friable)
    - By certified asbestos removal contractor
  - o Performed radiological characterization surveys of pipe wrap for offsite disposal
    - Submitted samples for analyses

## **Forecasted Activities**

# Closeout/Closure Activities

- Upcoming dismantling work:
  - o 24-ft "Production" Shaft Headframe
  - IX Building
  - Sewer Plant
  - o Removal of Dewatering Well transfer piping
- Upcoming construction work:
  - o Plugging the 14-ft and 24-ft shafts

## **Critical Path Items**

Approval of the disposal cell expansion

#### Delays

- Earth moving projects are delayed until the disposal cell expansion is approved
- Well-plugging and abandonment is delayed pending approval of the deep aquifer monitoring plan