

MINE CONTACT REPORT FORM

Date of Call: _____ **Date of E-mail:** 03/05/2024 – 03/07/2024

Telephone call to: _____ **DENR Employee Contacted:** Roberta Hudson

Operator Contacted: Todd Christenson

Company: Solitario Resources

Telephone: _____

Staff Signature: \s/ _____

Between March 5, 2024 and March 7, 2024, I sent multiple emails outlining deficiencies noted in the application form for Solitario Resources exploration notice of intent. Below are the communications with Mr. Christenson.

From: Todd Christensen <tchristensen@solitariocorp.com>
Sent: Thursday, March 7, 2024 4:28 PM
To: Hudson, Roberta <Roberta.Hudson@state.sd.us>
Cc: Koistinen, Gage <Gage.Koistinen@state.sd.us>
Subject: RE: [EXT] Archaeology Study

Roberta,
 Thank you for drawing this to our attention. I will get this rectified and headed your way ASAP.
 I will likely have to change the name of the geologist on the application, but we will get this done.
 Thank you,
 Todd

From: Hudson, Roberta <Roberta.Hudson@state.sd.us>
Sent: Thursday, March 7, 2024 2:36 PM
To: Todd Christensen <tchristensen@solitariocorp.com>
Cc: Koistinen, Gage <Gage.Koistinen@state.sd.us>
Subject: RE: Archaeology Study

Todd,
 I have found another deficiency in the application which will require the submittal of a new application form. It appears that not all of the legal description is accounted for in the application. It appears to be missing Sections 7, 18, and 19 T5N R2E.

Please confirm and resubmit a new signed and notarized application with the updated legal description.

Thank you!

Roberta Hudson, PE
 Engineer Manager I

Minerals, Mining, and Superfund Program

From: Hudson, Roberta
Sent: Wednesday, March 6, 2024 12:10 PM
To: Todd Christensen <tchristensen@solitariocorp.com>
Cc: Koistinen, Gage <Gage.Koistinen@state.sd.us>
Subject: RE: [EXT] Archaeology Study

Todd,

Thanks for the update! On further review, we did come across a couple of other issues.

1. Somehow the form for the reclamation plan was made as part of the application form and not signed. This form needs to be separated from the application form and signed separately. It does not need to be notarized.
2. Also, we noted multiple wells in the area of proposed drill sites. Do any of these wells have pipelines associated with them? It is a requirement of SDCL 45-6C-9 to include water pipeline locations within one-half mile of the proposed sites. There were three areas noted on the map where wells were noted within one-half mile of the of a proposed drill site. These areas are noted on the map as Plat_P, Plat_O and _OO, and multiple sites around Plats A and DD. Please include maps for these areas identifying the locations for any pipelines that may be associated with these wells.

Please let me know if you have any questions!

Thank you!

Roberta Hudson, J.E.

Engineer Manager I
Minerals, Mining, and Superfund Program

From: Todd Christensen <tchristensen@solitariocorp.com>
Sent: Wednesday, March 6, 2024 10:49 AM
To: Hudson, Roberta <Roberta.Hudson@state.sd.us>
Subject: RE: [EXT] Archaeology Study

Dear Roberta,

I have been working on a Project Location Map but before I sent it over, I thought I'd better CYA and make sure Solitario management signs off on it. There is a big minerals industry conference in Toronto this week (PDAC) and communicating with them has been challenging. I ask for your patience and with any luck you'll have something late today.

Best Regards,
Todd

From: Hudson, Roberta <Roberta.Hudson@state.sd.us>
Sent: Tuesday, March 5, 2024 9:22 AM
To: Todd Christensen <tchristensen@solitariocorp.com>
Subject: RE: Archaeology Study

Also, could you also please supply a generic map providing a general outline of the proposed project area? The maps you provided are protected as confidential under state law (even if they have been made public already by the USFS). I need a generic map to place on our webpage.

From: Hudson, Roberta
Sent: Tuesday, March 5, 2024 10:20 AM
To: Todd Christensen <tchristensen@solitariocorp.com>
Subject: Archaeology Study

Todd,

We received your application for EXNI in the mail today and are in the process of reviewing it. Could you please provide us with a copy of any archaeology study completed for this project? It can be marked confidential. It will only be shared with my office and the state archaeologist. I noted that you provided consultation with SHPO in your application however, they are not that who we are required by state statute to provide this information to for review. They are a different office. I am still required to supply this information to the State Archaeologist at the Archaeological Research Center to complete this review.

Thank you!

Roberta Hudson, PE

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