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September 27, 2023

Cindy Salazar, Land Use Manager
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RE: MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION (MND) FOR THE SANTIAGO CREEK
PROJECT DATED SEPTEMBER 15, 2023 STATE CLEARINGHOUSE NUMBER
[2023090344](#)

Dear Cindy Salazar,

The Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) received a MND for the Santiago Creek Project. After reviewing the document, DTSC recommends and requests consideration of the following comment:

If any sites within the project area or sites located within the vicinity of the project have been used or are suspected of having been used for mining activities, proper investigation for mine waste should be discussed, evaluated, and addressed for mining waste. Please visit the DTSC [Abandoned Mine Lands webpage](#) for reference or further guidance.

DTSC appreciates the opportunity to comment on the MND for the Santiago Creek

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Project. If you have any questions or concerns, simply respond to this [email](#) for guidance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dave Kereazis". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

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