

DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

**INDUSTRIAL & ENERGY MINERALS BUREAU
OPENCUT MINING PROGRAM**

SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

Proponent : Shining Mtn Owners Association

Site : SMOA Unit 1

Legal : NW1/4SE1/4 of Sec 18, T7S R1W

County : Madison

Approved Contract & Amendment #s: SMO-001

Type and Purpose of Action: Proponent has applied for an amendment to the permit. They propose to extend the estimated date of reclamation from 2008 to 2018. Additional time is needed to remove all the permitted material. The alternative would be to mine all the material and stockpile it outside the permit area for occasional road maintenance by the home owners association. No other changes were proposed.

Site Description: The site is located in a rural area rangeland about 12 miles south of Ennis, Montana.

Potential Impacts and Mitigation: This amendment would cause extended short term aesthetics impacts. The proponent is legally bound through the reclamation permit with the state to reclaim the site. The original environmental assessment is applicable to this action.

Approved by: _____ Date: _____

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