

# M & W Milling & Refining



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By Garrett Smith at 3:27 pm, Dec 07, 2020

Mr. Herb Rolfes- Operating Permit Section  
Hard Rock Mining Bureau  
Dept. of Environmental Quality  
PO Box 200901  
Helena MT 59620

RE: Status of Operations - Operating Permit No. 00152

Dear Mr. Rolfes:

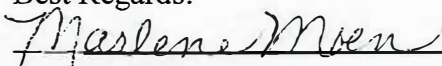
We have received your correspondence of December 3, 2020 regarding the status of operations at the M&W mill. In response we offer the following to establish that the M&W mill continues to operate and is not abandoned or completed, specifically as provided for in ARM 17.24.150(2) (c) that "the mine or mill is shut down because of a natural catastrophe and plans to resume operations are being formulated;". The Covid-19 pandemic is a natural catastrophe as provided in the rule because it has disrupted our ability to plan and obtain financing for mill modification and possible sale.

We have been in ongoing negotiations with Mr. Don Rutledge and Associates representing Formula Financial LLC , a Nevada LLC and Pony Mountain Gold Corp, a Nevada Corp., for purchase of the mine and mill. The new operators would develop a plan for required mill modifications to adequately process ore found on the several properties in Alder and Browns gulches.

Because of the Covid-19 pandemic and associated travel restrictions beginning in March 2020, it has not been possible to assemble the potential investors and specialists on the property to adequately assess the work that needs to be done and to evaluate the mill and associated properties.

This work is continuing as conditions allow and M&W Milling and Refining has every intention of completing the proposed mill modifications and continuing milling operations.

Best Regards:

  
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Marlene Moen, Owner