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Subject: Montana DEQ Mike Horse site

I am in support of the Clark Fork Coalition's position on the

Montana DEQ Mike Horse site. So, I am echoing some points they made in this regard.

First of all, thank you for recognizing the urgency of removing the the Mike Horse Mine tailings-- they are a major threat to the Upper Blackfoot.

Second - the tailings are not safe in the current location. Until they are hauled to a high and dry location, spring runoff will bring close calls.

Third - Section 35 needs more study. Please look at groundwater levels, impacts to local residents and businesses, an off-highway haul route, and a liner for the repository.

My final comment is don't put this off any longer.

Respectfully

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