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RE: Ross Adams Project

Dear Ms. Parker and Mr. Minckler:

Below is the Ross Adams CERCLA Project Monthly Progress Report update for the month of January 2025. This provides the information specified in the Statement of Work (SOW), as Attachment B to the ASAOC.

- ***Describe work performed during the prior month(s):***
 - **Removal Action Design** –The Removal Action 90% Design was submitted on January 20, 2025. USFS provided comments on January 30, 2025.
 - **Surface Water Sampling** – The Annual Surface Water Report was submitted on December 2, 2024. USFS provided comments on December 6, 2024. Newmont provided responses to USFS comments on December 19, 2024. The USFS provided follow-up comments on January 22, 2025. The report addressing the final USFS comments will be submitted by February 5, 2025.
 - **Conference Calls** – Newmont and USFS had a project team conference call on January 16, 2025.
 - **Supplemental Sampling** - Newmont submitted a supplemental sampling plan for the Historic Cabin and surrounding area sampling and analysis on January 17, 2025. USFS approved the plan on January 29, 2025.
- ***Provide a summary of all results of sampling, tests and all other data received or generated by Respondents during the prior month, unless otherwise reported in other deliverables or to be reported in Pre-Design Investigation Reports:***

- None.
- **Identify all deliverables that Respondents submitted to the USFS during the prior month(s):**
 - The Removal Action 90% Design was submitted on January 20, 2025.
- **Describe all activities relating to Removal Action construction that are scheduled for the next month:**
 - Newmont will progress the Removal Action Design.
- **Provide an updated construction schedule, together with information regarding percentage of completion, delays encountered or anticipated that may affect the future schedule, and a description of efforts taken to mitigate those delays:**
 - A revised overall Removal Action construction schedule was submitted on January 21, 2025.
- **Describe any modifications to the Removal Action or schedules, including consultation with the USFS and approval by the USFS, when necessary, during the prior month:**
 - No Removal Action modifications were made during the prior month.
- **Describe activities undertaken by Respondents in support of the Community Involvement Plan during the prior month and those to be undertaken, as requested by the USFS, if any, in the next month:**
 - No Community Involvement Plan activities were requested by the USFS.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact me at 775-385-7324 or michael.chanen@newmont.com.

Regards,



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