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E.M. Gerrick, V.P. of Operations  
Western States Minerals Corporation  
250 South Rock Blvd, Suite 130  
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Re: Approval of Modification of Success Standards, J.B. King Mine, Western States Minerals Corporation, ACT/015/002-AM99C, Outgoing File

Dear Mr. Gerrick:

The amendment to remove the permit commitment for a vegetation production standard at Phase III bond release is approved. Enclosed is a stamped approved copy for incorporation into your Mining and Reclamation Plan. The technical analysis is as follows:

### REVEGETATION

Regulatory Reference: 30 CFR Sec. 785.18, 817.111, 817.113, 817.114, 817.116; R645-301-244, -301-353, -301-354, -301-355, -301-356, -302-280, -302-281, -302-282, -302-283, -302-284.

#### Analysis:

##### Standards for success

No vegetation production standard is necessary for mine sites previously disturbed or continuously mined. However, production data is generally obtained and used to demonstrate a postmining land use of livestock grazing.

#### Findings:

The requirements concerning vegetation production standard for this section of the regulations meet the minimum regulatory requirements.

If you have any questions, please call me.

Sincerely,

  
Pamela Grubaugh-Littig  
Permit Supervisor

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Enclosure

cc: Mark Page, Water Rights w/o Dave Ariotti, DEQ w/o  
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