

SAN JUAN COUNTY, COLORADO
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING AGENDA
July 14, 2021

Due to the continuing COVID-19 emergency, San Juan County meetings will be conducted in a hybrid virtual/in-person format. All persons with appointments scheduled on the agenda may meet in person or via zoom. If you have been vaccinated, you are not required to wear a mask. If you have not been vaccinated, we strongly recommend that you wear a mask. We encourage community members to continue to participate via zoom. The information necessary to connect to the public meeting is listed below.

CALL TO ORDER: 8:30 A.M.

OLD BUSINESS:

Consider Bills and Authorize Warrants
BOCC Regular Meeting Minutes for June 23, 2021

APPOINTMENTS:

9:00 A.M - Christina Cordalis, Housing Solutions for the Southwest - CDBG
9:30 A.M. - Klem Branner-Single Track Society Update
10:00 A.M. – Public Hearing-Kevin Farmer,CannaFarmer dba Silverton, San Juan Cultivation LLC, and San Juan Retail LLC), 71463 Highway 550, San Juan County, Colorado,
(1) Application for Renewal of a License for a Retail Marijuana Cultivation Facility,
(2) Application for Renewal of a Retail Marijuana Store License,
(3) Application for Proposed Modification of Premises,
(4) Improvement Permit Application (for proposed greenhouses, fences, gates, cameras, cistern, water lines).
10:30 A.M. - Kim Buck, County Assessor-Board of Equalization Report
10:45 A.M. - Becky Joyce, Public Health Director

CORRESPONDENCE:

CCI Western District Listening Tour
Bonita Peak Mining District Update

NEW BUSINESS:

Treasurer's Semi-Annual Report
Opus Hut LLC – Liquor License Renewal
Sales Tax Reports
Commissioner and Staff Reports

OTHER:

ADJOURN: Next Regular Meeting – 6:30 PM, Wednesday July 28, 2021

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/92136473203>

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SAN JUAN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING WEDNESDAY, JUNE 23, 2021
AT 6:30 P.M.

Call to Order: The regular meeting was called to order at 6:30 P.M. by Chairman Scott Fetchenhier. Present were Commissioner Ernest Kuhlman via Zoom, Commissioner Austin Lashley, County Attorney Dennis Golbricht via Zoom and Administrator William Tookey. The general public attended via Zoom.

Commissioner Kuhlman moved to approve the minutes of June 9, 2021. Commissioner Lashley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimous.

Commissioner Lashley moved to approve the minutes of the June 16, 2021 Special Meeting. Commissioner Kuhlman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimous.

Public Health Director Becky Joyce was present to provide the commissioners with an update. With financial assistance from CDPHE she is able to install some air monitors on CR 2.

Commissioner Lashley moved to approve EPR Grant #4. Commissioner Kuhlman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimous.

Carol Wilkins and Christine Fonner were present to inform the Commissioners about the Silverton Creative District. Commissioner Lashley moved to provide the Silverton Creative District with a letter of support. Commissioner Kuhlman seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimous.

A request was presented to the Commissioners from Charlene Monsalve to waive the Special Use Permit fee for the Poker Run. She pointed out in her request that any profits made by the event would be donated to the county to be used for dust control. Commissioner Kuhlman moved to waive the permit fee for the Poker Run. Commissioner Lashley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimous.

Planning Director Lisa Adair presented her staff report for review.

Having no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:23 P.M.

Scott Fetchenhier, Chairman

Ladonna L. Jaramillo, County Clerk

STAFF REPORT FOR THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Project: CannaFarmer.

Report Date: July 11, 2021.

Meeting Date: July 14, 2021.

From: Town/County Planning Director.

Public Hearing: Board of County Commissioners, July 14, 10 AM, to consider a four-part County Application for an existing Licensed Marijuana Facility and some proposed improvements.

Applicant: Kevin Farmer, representing CannaFarmer Farm Store Silverton, San Juan Retail LLC, and San Juan Cultivation LLC.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY: Kevin Farmer is requesting the following:

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- (1) General application and site information.
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The existing facility and the Applicant appear to be in compliance with all of the pertinent State and County regulations, licenses, provisions, terms, and conditions described above.

- (3) Whether the Licensed Premises has been operated in a manner that adversely affects the public health or the safety of the immediate neighborhood...*
- (4) Whether complaints...have been made to the Administrator or others by the public or law enforcement.*
- (5) Whether there has been an increased need for law enforcement in the vicinity...or as a result of its operation.*

The existing facility appears to be free from complaints, public health and safety issues, and law enforcement concerns.

- (6) Whether the Applicant has changed its business structure and whether the current owners, officers, contractors, employees, and other support staff have completed a fingerprint-based criminal history record check and the results of such check.*
- (7) Whether any physical modifications have been made to the Licensed Premises.*
- (8) Whether the Applicant owns...or has a valid lease, rental agreement...for possession of the Licensed Premises for the term of the renewal.*

The existing facility and the Applicant appear to be in compliance with all of the above requirements, including: “no change” to the rental lease agreement, building plans, Location, Licensed Premises; Applicant fingerprints are “on file;” and “no change” to the business structure and/or the owner of the LLCs.

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(b) Adequate potable water is available or can be developed to safely support the proposed use, including fire control and suppression.

Adequate on-site water exists, for the existing and proposed land uses, per the submitted Well Permit, which complies with the County requirements. (The water quality of the existing well water for ongoing human consumption is unknown). For the proposed greenhouses, there is a proposed indoor water cistern, to be filled inside with an existing hose, and there are proposed seasonal outdoor ground surface water lines, which will be placed from the existing structure to the proposed greenhouses. There is an existing fire hydrant at the site. The Fire Chief noted that the Applicant has been diligent about forbidding parking around the hydrant, and that the Applicant shall continue to do so. The Applicant stated that the proposed excess water leaving the proposed greenhouses, percolating downwards through the subsurface soil, is designed to be minimal to none, due to the proposed “BluMat” irrigation system.

(c) Adequate sewage disposal can be provided to support the proposed use.

According to the Applicant, an existing septic system is present at the site, the proposed improvements are not located near the existing septic system, and the proposed improvements will not discharge into or near the existing septic system.

(d) The proposed use will have any adverse effect on public or private property in the vicinity of the development.

The proposed improvements are not expected have a significant adverse impact on adjacent public or private property.

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LEGAL & PUBLIC NOTICES

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

San Juan County Colorado hereby gives notice of a Public Hearing, regarding four concurrent County applications: (1) An Improvement Permit Application for proposed greenhouses, fence, gates, signs, cameras, (2) An Application for Modification of Premises, (3) An Application for Renewal of a License for a Retail Marijuana Cultivation Facility, and (4) An Application for Renewal of a Retail Marijuana Store License. The Applicant is Kevin

Farmer dba Cannafarmer representing San Juan Cultivation LLC and San Juan Retail LLC. The existing marijuana facility is located at 71463 Highway 550. The Board of County Commissioners will discuss these applications at 10:00 AM, Wednesday, July 14, 2021, at the San Juan County Courthouse, 1557 Greene Street, Silverton, Colorado, in person and on free Zoom software. NOTICE is further given that all persons may present oral/written testimony regarding these applications prior to or at the Public Hearing. Interested persons may contact Lisa Adair at the Town/County Planning Department (ladair@silverton.co.us) at Town Hall, 1360 Greene Street, Silverton, Colorado 81433 (970-387-5522). Published in the Silverton Standard and Miner June 24, 2021.

CANNAFARMER
4-PART APPLICATION
SIGN-OFF SHEETS FOR
SHERIFF, BLDG. DEPT. &
FIRE DEPT. 7/6/21 Jma
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SAN JUAN COUNTY BUILDING DEPARTMENT
For all licensed facilities located within a building or structure for which a San Juan County Building permit is required, documentary proof of compliance with all applicable county building code standards, as well as documentary proof of compliance with all applicable Colorado Plumbing/Electrical Code standards.

No objection to the Retail Marijuana facility as proposed.

Signature Building Official

W. M. Doull

Date

7/6/2021

Applicant must comply with the following county building code standards:

I would like a site plan lay-out for Green houses, and a greenhouse construction plan/design to approve and issue Building Permit if needed

Signature Building Official

W. M. Doull

Date

7/6/2021

SAN JUAN COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
Written comments or a letter from the San Juan County Sheriff or his designee with regard to the Sheriff's recommendations to the Local Licensing Authority concerning the issuance of the license(s) for which the application has been made, including the results of any investigation conducted: New application review shall include, but need not be limited to, an investigation into the criminal background, if any, of the proposed licensee(s) by the San Juan County Sheriff's Office. The Sheriff's Office may, in its discretion, require the proposed licensee(s) to submit to a personal interview regarding, but not limited to, their background, qualifications, and financial arrangements, relevant to the proposed License.

No objection to the Retail Marijuana facility as proposed, and recommend no additional security measures required.

Signature Sheriff

Date

07/06/21

Application should be Denied. See attached written report of the results of the SMCSO investigation of the proposed licensee(s).

Signature Sheriff

Date



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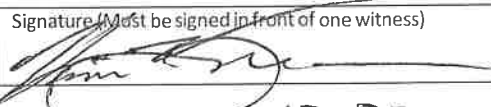
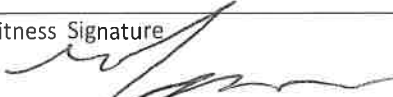
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Physical Address			
Applicant's Legal Business Name/Trade Name (DBA)		Parcel Name and ID Number	Zone District
San Juan Retail, LLC – CannaFarmer Farm Store		Silverton Placer	ED
Street Address of Business		Business Phone Number	
71463 US HWY 550, Unit A, Silverton, CO 81433		(970)403-6233	
Mailing Address		City	State
PO Box 933		Silverton	CO
Zip		81433	
Primary Contact Person			
Primary Contact Person for Business		Primary Contact Phone Number	Primary Contact Cell Number
Kevin Farmer		(206) 225-6353	(206)225-6353
Primary Contact Email Address			
kevin@cannafarmer.com			
Primary Contact Address		City	State
PO Box 492		Silverton	CO
Zip		81433	
State Retail Marijuana License Numbers			
Retail Marijuana Center Number		Products Manufacturing Number	
402R-00768		NA	
Cultivation Facility Number		Testing Facility Number	
NA		NA	
Applicant's Signature			Date
			6/3/21

INVESTIGATION AUTHORIZATION AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE INFORMATION

I, Kevin Michael Farmer, as an authorized agent for the applicant, hereby authorize the San Juan County Local Licensing Authority, through the San Juan County Sheriff's Office (hereafter, the Investigative Agency) to conduct a complete investigation into my personal background, using whatever legal means they deem appropriate. I hereby authorize any person or entity contacted by the Investigative Agency to provide any and all information deemed necessary by the Investigative Agency. I hereby waive any rights of confidentiality in this regard. I understand that by signing this authorization, a financial record check may be performed. I authorize any financial institution to surrender to the Investigative Agency a complete and accurate record of such transactions that may have occurred with that institution, including but not limited to, internal banking memoranda, past and present loan applications, financial statements, and any other documents relating to my personal or business financial records in whatever form and wherever located. I understand that by signing this authorization, a financial record check of my tax filing and tax obligation status may be performed. I authorize the Colorado Department of Revenue to surrender to the Investigative Agencies a complete and accurate record of any and all tax information or records relating to me. I authorize the Investigative Agency to obtain, receive, review, copy, discuss and use any such tax information or documents relating to me. I authorize the release of this type of information, even though such information may be designated as "confidential" or "nonpublic" under the provisions of state or federal laws. I understand that by signing this authorization, a criminal history check will be performed. I authorize the Investigative Agency to obtain and use from any source, any information concerning me contained in any type of criminal history record files, wherever located. I understand that the criminal history record files contain records of arrests which may have resulted in a disposition other than a finding of guilt (i.e., dismissed charges, or charges that resulted in a not guilty finding). I understand that the information may contain listings of charges that resulted in suspended imposition of sentence, even though I successfully completed the conditions of said sentence and was discharged pursuant to law. I authorize the release of this type of information even though this record may be designated as "confidential" or "nonpublic" under the provisions of state or federal laws.

The Investigative Agency reserves the right to investigate all relevant information and facts to their satisfaction. I understand that the Investigative Agency may conduct a complete and comprehensive investigation to determine the accuracy of all information gathered. However, San Juan County, the Investigative Agency, and other agents of employees of San Juan County shall not be held liable for the receipt, use, or dissemination of inaccurate information. I, on behalf of the applicant, its legal representatives, and assigns, hereby release, waive, discharge, and agree to hold harmless, and otherwise waive liability as to San Juan County, the Investigative Agency, and other agents or employees of San Juan County for any damages resulting from any use, disclosure, or publication in any manner, other than a willfully unlawful disclosure or publication, of any material or information acquired during inquiries, investigations, or hearings and hereby authorize the lawful use, disclosure, or publication of this material or information. Any information contained within my application, contained within any financial or personnel record, or otherwise found, obtained, or maintained by the Investigative Agency, shall be accessible to law enforcement agents of this or any other state, the government of the United States, or any foreign country.

Print Full Legal Agent Name clearly below:

Applicant's Business Name <u>San Juan Retail, LLC</u>		Trade Name (DBA) <u>CannaFarmer Farm Store</u>	
Legal Agent Last Name (Please Print) <u>Farmer</u>	Legal Agent First Name <u>Kevin</u>	Legal Agent Middle Name <u>Michael</u>	
Legal Agent Title <u>Owner/Operator</u>	Signature (Must be signed in front of one witness) 		
Dated this <u>03</u> day of <u>June</u> , <u>2021</u> at <u>12:23 pm</u> (time)			
<u>Silverton</u> (City)		<u>CO</u> (State)	
Witness Signature 			



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Applicant's Signature		Date	
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Affirmation & Consent

I, Kevin Michael Farmer, as an authorized agent for the applicant, state under penalty for offering a false instrument for recording pursuant to 18-5-114 C.R.S. that the entire Retail Marijuana Business License Application Form, statements, attachments, and supporting schedules are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, and that this statement is executed with the knowledge that misrepresentation or failure to reveal information requested may be deemed sufficient cause for the refusal to issue a Retail Marijuana license by San Juan County. Further, I am aware that later discovery of an omission or misrepresentation made in the above statements may be grounds for the denial of a temporary Retail Marijuana application or the revocation of the license. I am voluntarily submitting this application to the San Juan County Licensing Authority under oath with full knowledge that I may be charged with perjury or other crimes for intentional omissions and misrepresentations pursuant to Colorado law or for offering a false instrument for recording pursuant to 18-5-114 C.R.S. I further consent to any background investigation necessary to determine my present and continuing suitability and that this consent continues as long as I hold a San Juan County Retail Marijuana License, and for 90 days following the expiration or surrender of such Retail Marijuana License.

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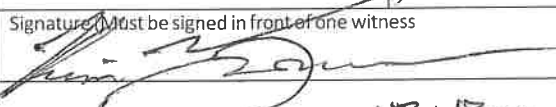

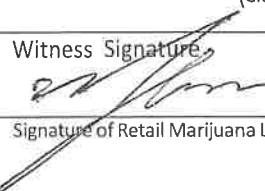
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Signature 		Date 6/3/21

APPLICANT'S REQUEST TO RELEASE INFORMATION

To: _____

From: _____

1. I/We hereby authorize and request all persons to whom this request is presented having information relating to or concerning the above named applicant to furnish such information to a duly appointed agent of the San Juan County Retail Marijuana Local Licensing Authority whether or not such information would otherwise be protected from the disclosure by any constitutional, statutory or common law privilege.
2. I/We hereby authorize and request all persons to whom this request is presented having documents relating to or concerning the above named applicant to permit a duly appointed agent of the San Juan County Retail Marijuana Local Licensing Authority to review and copy any such documents, whether or not such documents would otherwise be protected from disclosure by any constitutional, statutory, or common law privilege.
3. I/We hereby authorize and request the Colorado Department of Revenue to permit a duly appointed agent of the San Juan County Retail Marijuana Local Licensing Authority to obtain, receive, review, copy, discuss and use any such tax information or documents relating to or concerning the above named applicant, whether or not such information or documents would otherwise be protected from disclosure by any constitutional, statutory, or common law privilege.
4. If the person to whom this request is presented is a brokerage firm, bank, savings and loan, or other financial institution or an officer of the same, I/We hereby authorize and request that a duly appointed agent of the San Juan County Retail Marijuana Local Licensing Authority be permitted to review and obtain copies of any and all documents, records or correspondence pertaining to me/us, including but not limited to past loan information, -notes co-signed by me/us, checking records, savings deposit records, safe deposit box records, and general ledger folio sheets.
5. I/We do hereby make, constitute, and appoint any duly appointed agent of the San Juan County Retail Marijuana local Licensing Authority, my/our true and lawful attorney in fact for me/us in my/our behalf and for my/our use and benefit:
 - (a) To request, review, copy, sign for, or otherwise act for investigative purposes with respect to documents and information in the possession of the person to whom this request is presented as I/we might;
 - (b) To name the person or entity to whom this request is presented and insert that person's name in the appropriate location in this request;
 - (c) To place the name of the agent presenting this request in the appropriate location on this request.
6. I grant to said attorney in fact full power and authority to do, take, and perform all and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, proper, or necessary to be done, in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as I/we might or could do it personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorney in fact, or his substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this power of attorney and the rights and powers herein granted.
7. This power of attorney ends twenty-four (24) months from the date of execution.
8. The above named applicant has filed with the San Juan County Retail Marijuana Local Licensing Authority an application for a Retail Marijuana Local License. Said applicant understands that it is seeking the granting of a privilege and acknowledges that the burden of proving its qualifications for a favorable determination is at all times on the applicant. Said applicant accepts any risk of adverse public notice, embarrassment, criticism, or other action of financial loss, which may result from action with respect to this application.
9. I/We do for myself/ourselves, my/our heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns, hereby release, remise, and forever discharge the person to whom this request is presented, and his agents and employees from all and all manner or actions, causes of action, suits, debts, judgments, executions, claims, and demands whatsoever, known or unknown, in law or equity, which the applicant ever had, now has, may have, or claims to have against the person to whom this request is being presented or his agents or employers arising out of or by reason of complying with the request.
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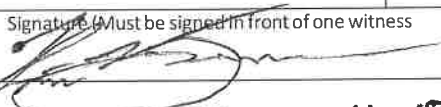


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<u>Silverton</u> (City)		<u>CO</u> (State)
Witness Signature 		
Signature of Retail Marijuana Licensing agent presenting this request 		Date

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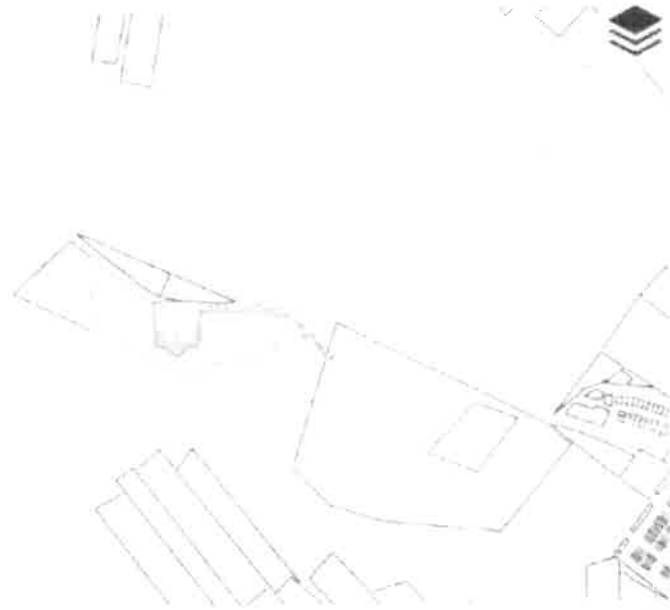
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<u>Silverton</u> _____ (City) (State)		
Witness Signature 		
Signature of Retail Marijuana Licensing agent presenting this request 		Date

**Application for Improvement Permit
Proposed Greenhouses & Modification to Existing Cultivation
Silverton Placer
71463 HWY 550
San Juan County, Colorado**



Applicant:

San Juan Cultivation, LLC
PO Box 933
Silverton, CO 81433

Prepared by:

Kevin Farmer
PO Box 492
Silverton, CO 81433
kevin@cannafarmer.com
206-225-6353

Submitted:

June 18, 2021

San Juan County Board of County Commissioners
1557 Green Street
PO Box 466
Silverton, CO 81433

San Juan Cultivation, LLC
71463 HWY 550, Warehouse and Cultivation Perimeter
PO Box 933
Silverton, CO 81433

RE: Application for Improvement Permit

Good afternoon. The following information contained herein is provided to assist in the review and approval for temporary greenhouse structures in order to stabilize and work towards a more sustainable marijuana cultivation business in San Juan County's Economic Development Corridor. As an existing business (San Juan Cultivation, LLC) which has been in operation for six years, I believe my reputation in the community along with a lack of any compliance issues to date will provide assurances to the Board of County Commissioners that I am of good moral character and only intend to act within the guidelines set forth by San Juan County and the State of Colorado.

I, Kevin Farmer had no intent of asking for an exception to the Planning Commission process, however due to some miscommunication around what permits were required for my proposed change, I'm now significantly exposed from a financial risk perspective as I've invested \$15,000 to date. If I'm unable to obtain approval for my changes tonight, I'll be forced to sell or close the business at the end of this summer season as I'll be unable to produce the product necessary to get the business through the winter slow season after investing the \$15,000 to date. I'll have to leave Silverton and eliminate three year-round positions (based on the proposed changes these positions are possible) currently staffed by Silverton residents. Our growing season is extremely short and I need to have plants in the ground before July 20th otherwise risk crop loss as I'm not prepared to grow them under lights in the warehouse facility that currently exists due to investment in the proposed improvements.

Closure and job loss is not intended to be a threat but rather explain the financial position my business and I am currently in and what this change will mean in terms of the stability and in all honesty a successful addition to the economic diversification of San Juan County's GDP with less environmental impact than we currently contribute. Future plans of a community composting and vermicomposting (worm castings) program run through the facility providing valuable services to Silverton and move our community forward in food waste sustainability. Additionally, sharing of all cost related data with local organizations looking to establish community greenhouse gardens and help provide "proof of concept" for those community assets are a primary goal and offered at no cost to the community.

The retail shop pays the bills of the business and helps employee seasonal staff, however it hasn't been what was projected in terms of cars pulling over. The proposed changes will allow for 150-200lbs of production in 2021 and 400-600lbs (addition of two more year round jobs) in the years following utilizing light deprivation techniques. All but what is needed for the retail shop will be sold onto the wholesale market.

The proposed improvements include three temporary hoop house style greenhouse spaces totaling 3,480 sq ft. Additionally, a security fence with three gates, cameras and drip irrigation will need to be installed to enclose the greenhouse spaces within the existing cultivation facility and provide water to the plants.

The attached documents have been prepared as a San Juan County Improvement Permit Application. The Applicant requests review of this project by the Board of County Commissioners on July 14, 2021.

I am submitting 7 copies of this submittal to Lisa Adair for distribution to the Commissioners and other applicable users in order to review and approve this Application.

Thank you for the time and consideration in this urgent matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kevin Farmer", with a long horizontal line extending to the right from the end of the signature.

Kevin Farmer

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Assessor Page showing The Filling Station, LLC as Property Owner

Assessor Page showing The Filling Station, LLC as Property Owner

Overview Improvements Land Details More

OVERVIEW

		Key Information			
Account #	N2084	Parcel #	40270000010142		
Name	THE FILLING STATION LLC				
Mailing Address	PO BOX 543 81433-0543 SILVERTON CO				
Physical Address	7146 HIGHWAY 550, SILVERTON CO 81433-5078				
Total Acres	12.63	Total Sq Ft	559,163		
Acres (1)	13	Total Sq Ft	41	Temp	
Tax District	101	Common Area	MISSING	MISSING	
City/Township	MISSING				
Legal Description	SILVERTON PLACER SOUTH OF HIGHWAY 550 - 14663 (12.63 ACRE PORTION OF)				

Value Information

San Juan Cultivation, LLC
ATTN: Kevin Farmer – Owner Operator
71463 HWY 550, PO Box 933
Silverton, CO 81433

The Filling Station, LLC
71463 HWY 550, PO Box 543
Silverton, CO 81433

RE: Authorization & Approval of Proposed Improvements

This letter is to inform San Juan County of the approval of the Proposed Improvements as described below and shown on the attached Sketch Plan are authorized and approved by The Filling Station, LLC.

- 1 – Temporary Greenhouse Structures (3 totalling 3,480 sq ft)
- 2 – Perimeter Security Fence Including three Gates enclosing the Greenhouses within the Existing Warehouse.
- 3 – Sight Block Fencing & Landscaping.
- 4 – Camera & Security System
- 5 – Above Ground Irrigation including water storage tank.

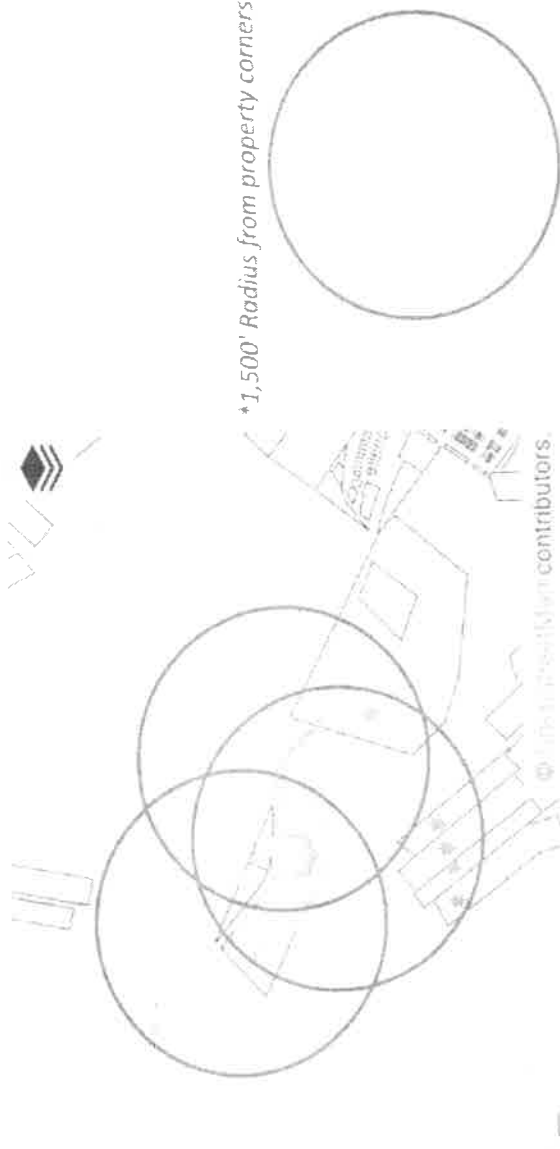
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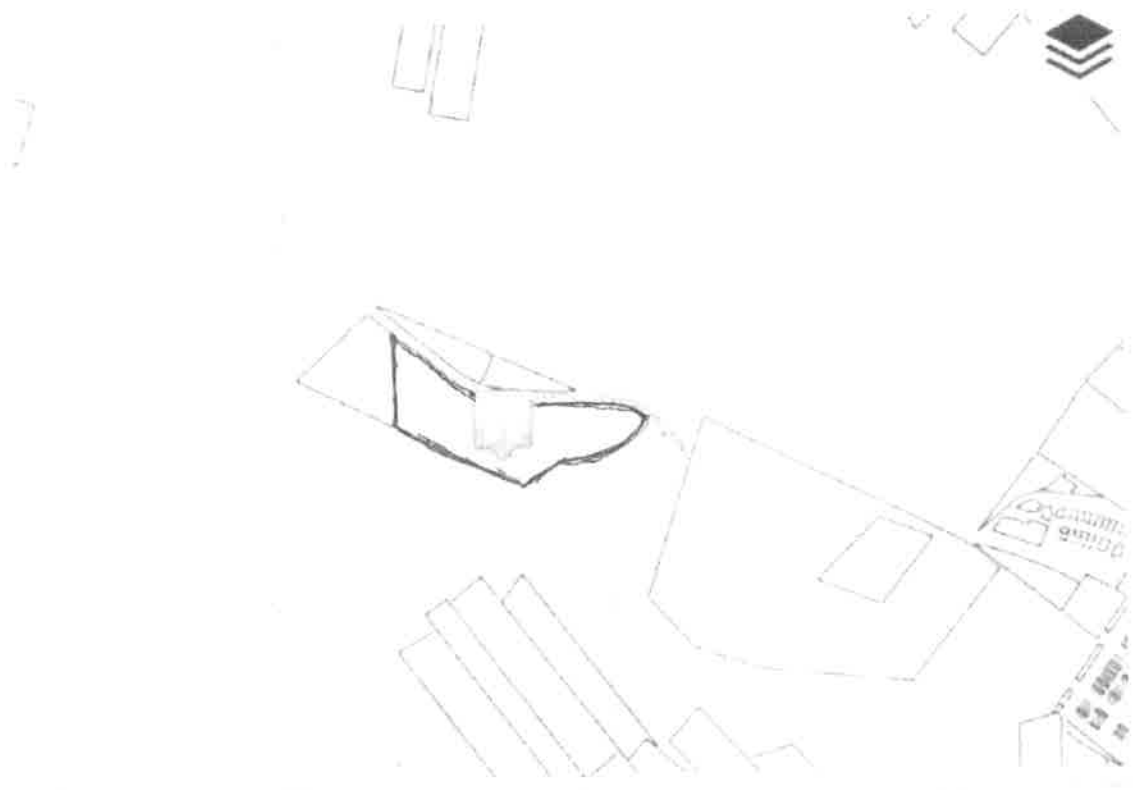
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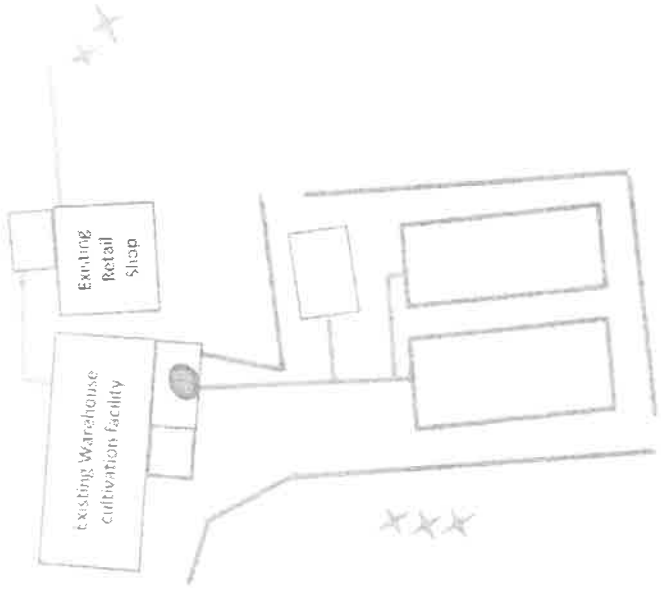
San Juan Cultivation, LLC
Adjacent Landowners within 1,500 ft

Name	Location	Address
Inga S & Mark L Mcfadden	71450 HWY 550, Silverton, CO 81433	PO Box 647, Silverton, CO 81433
Sultan Mountain LLC	69715 HWY 550 N, Silverton, CO 81433 Arlington - 1777, Eunice - 8532, North Star #2 - 734, Protection - 5048, Wheal Alfred - 5046	PO Box 6435 78466-6435, Corpus Christi TX
Michael Robinson	immediately west of 71450 HWY 550, Silverton, CO 81433	2894 W 111th Way 80234-4681, Wminster, CO
D&RG Railway Historical Foundation	immediately west of subject property	PO Box 1280 81154-1280, S Fork CO



Project Plans:
Vicinity Map





- Proposed Landscaping Tree
- Proposed Cedar Fence
- Existing Cedar Fence
- Proposed Gate
- Proposed Perimeter Fence
- Proposed Temporary Greenhouse
- Proposed Above Ground Irrigation
- Proposed Water Storage Tank for Gravity Feed Irrigation





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Floodplain Mapping takes the results of the hydraulic models and plots them on available terrain information. The results show floodplain widths and elevations, which are used to regulate safe development and manage flood insurance requirements. Flood insurance is required for homes with federally backed mortgages in dry areas that is designated with an 'X'. Speak to your lender about additional requirements. This map identifies the areas that are subject to flood insurance during the 1% and 0.2% annual chance floods. Building in these areas could pose a hazard to health and safety.

▲ Refer to your local floodplain manager for official determinations.

Preliminary Floodplains

- 1% Annual Chance Flood
- 0.2% Annual Chance Flood
- 1% Annual Chance Flood
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PROJECT NARRATIVE
SILVERTON PLACER
San Juan Cultivation, LLC

Applicant: San Juan Cultivation, LLC

Project Location: Silverton Placer South of Highway 550 – 14665 (12.63 acre portion of)

Proposed Development: Three temporary hoop style greenhouses
Perimeter Security Fence including three gates
Sight block fencing and landscaping
Camera System
Above Ground Irrigation (Blumat)

Zoning: Economic Development Corridor

Water Service: The current commercial 14 gpm well will be utilized to fill a 2,000 gallon agricultural tank intended to hold water for the Blumat gravity feed system allowing for complete autonomy from all electrical needs during the highest risk stage of the cultivation process. All irrigation components are above ground and will be completely drained prior to the winter season. Water usage will be less than half of the 14 gpm rated well and will maintain zero waste water as currently exists with the indoor facility as the blumat system is specifically designed to maintain a static moisture level vs flood the growing medium with excess runoff as in traditional flood irrigation farming. See Blumat Watering System Information attached.

Sewer Service: There will be no additional sewer needs as we will maintain no wastewater runoff or other discharges utilizing the Blumat irrigation system. Additionally, all growing methods have transition from hydroponic methods to living soil organic practices and continue to be regulated and inspected by the Colorado Department of Agriculture. To date no violation and the most recent inspector told us we “The Pride of the State” in regards to cannabis growing methods and our move to greenhouse space will reinforce this topic.

Farming Method: The business has fully transitioned from hydroponic growing methods to organic living soil beds. Utilizing organic farming practices, there will be zero chemicals or environmentally damaging products utilized or stored on the premises. Utilizing locally sourced composts, certain microbial teas, cover crops and organic soil amendments, the move towards full sustainability will create an environment of carbon sequestration and the building of more diverse soil structure and health on the proposed plot.

Power:	There will be no additional power needs for the property and a reduction in usage will occur immediately but we will make no changes to the service provided by San Miguel Power Association.
Lighting:	<p>No supplemental lighting will be used as all early growth will continue inside the current warehouse facility. Security cameras are 100% night vision capable up to 50ft (state requirement is 20ft) thus not requiring additional lighting. No additional/supplemental lighting will be utilized to maintain the "Dark Sky" priorities of the State and County.</p> <p>The State of Colorado has recognized that the cultivation of marijuana has increased the burden on the electric infrastructure and has prioritized the reduction of power consumption within the cannabis industry, including the migration to greenhouse and outdoor cultivation.</p>
Heating:	The greenhouses are intended to be used during San Juan County's limited growing season, eliminating the need for additional heating of the greenhouse spaces throughout the winter season. Additionally, two layers of cover will be utilized to create an air pocket to help insulate the plants. In order to protect the business from a 100 year cold snap prior to harvest, a standard propane greenhouse heater will be maintained to insure against catastrophic loss should temperatures drop below 35 degrees Fahrenheit inside the hoop house structures.
Waste Management:	No changes to the waste process as we currently grow cannabis indoors and comply with all waste requirements which will be maintained with the greenhouse changes. Additional waste is unexpected and will be disposed of in accordance with Federal, State and Local laws.
Landscaping:	Sight block cedar fencing and native trees will be utilized to eliminate the small visible "windows" through the existing vegetation and structures with the intent of eliminating any visible structures or security fencing from the road. Raised beds within the greenhouse footprints. These beds will be for proper regenerative permaculture farming practices, eliminating all needs for chemical/synthetic fertilizers.
Access:	Access will not change as there is no significant expected change to traffic for the migration of cultivation from 100% indoor to greenhouse cultivation. A current CDOT access permit exists and does not require modification.
Foundation:	There are no additional foundation requirements. Per the greenhouse supplier, all ground posts are buried into the ground 18 inches where the remaining structure is attached. The floor is dirt and we will plant directly into the ground utilizing raised beds for soil structure and plant

health necessary to cultivation premium organic cannabis and all moisture will be allowed to permeate the existing soil and tap roots to reach the shallow water table.

- Surveying: Included with this packet is the Improvement Survey Plat map. Setbacks from Mineral Creek are more than double the 40' requirement. Additionally, there are no wetlands identified within 40' of the proposed perimeter fence, gates or temporary greenhouse structures.
- Subsurface Conditions: Subsurface conditions within the proposed change include fully permeable top soil, sand, and small rocks (less than 1" diameter to 18" diameter). Due to no foundation requirements for the temporary structures, ground posts for the structure are set into the existing ground with no needed changes. Additionally, substantial improvement to the soil health can be expected based on the regenerative, permaculture, and organic farming methods to be utilized.
- County Geohazards Map: The Geohazards Map is attached along with the identification of the property location. As you'll note from the location of the property, it is identified in a PF zone. However, examination of the updated but yet to be approved new FEMA Floodplain Mapping for the property, all existing and proposed changes are not considered in a floodplain or within the 40' setback requirement.
- County Avalanche Map: The location for this project has been identified on the County Avalanche Hazard Map and has no overlap or proximity issues with the at risk areas.
- Structures: The improvement site is located in the Economic Development Zone of the county and therefore is justifiably located in one of the few areas within the county that this type of improvement to an existing business is not only allowed but encouraged. The applicant plans to construct three structures of which two will be completed in 2021 and an additional greenhouse will be installed spring of 2022 (please note all impacts noted above are for the "as completed" improvements including the 2022 addition. The greenhouse film will be removed each fall when plants have been harvested limiting any potential snow load issues on the temporary Quonset style frames

Advantages

Tropf-Blumat is an automatic watering system for plants all around the house. **From flowering plants to your own vegetables**. Tropf-Blumat is a needs-based system - watering only occurs when necessary.

Needs-based & economical With Tropf-Blumat, every single plant is individually watered. That's good news for the plants and also **reduces water consumption**. More flowers, more fruits, you will notice the difference.

Convenient Tropf-Blumat **reliably** takes care of the daily watering for you. You can also go on holiday with an easy mind at any time as Tropf-Blumat works **all year** round.

Simple & flexible Tropf-Blumat consists of just a **few components** and can be installed **without any tools**. You can change your system at any time and extend it to up to 500 watering points.

Smart without electricity Tropf-Blumat works completely without electricity or water computer.

- No mains connection
- No changing of batteries
- No complex programming

The clay cone thinks for you.

Natural watering

The water is released slowly and in doses. Consequently, plants always receive tempered water and **healthy and lush growth** is the result.

Applications

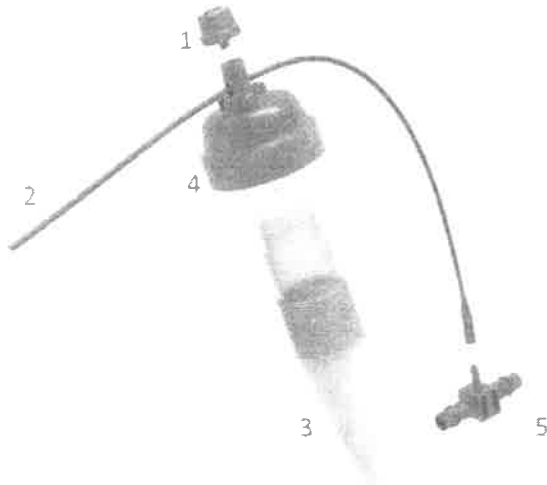
An all-rounder

Tropf-Blumat can be used for **all plants**, for **flowers**, **shrubs** and **vegetables**. Large or small, plants with differing water requirements can be combined without any worries.

- Balcony
- Potted plants
- Patio
- **Greenhouse**
- **Raised bed**

Function

The Tropf-Blumat measures the moisture of the soil and at the same time regulates the release of water. Each plant therefore has its own moisture sensor and is individually watered. This is what makes our system so unique.



1. Adjustment screw

The positioning is the same for all plants. You don't need to worry about the plant's water requirements.

2. Drip tube

This is used to deliver the irrigation water. Just a few drops or many litres a day according to how much the plant needs.

3. Clay cone

It is in direct contact with the soil and the roots and measures the moisture.

4. Watering head

The built-in valve opens and shuts off the water supply fully automatically.

5. T-piece

It connects the drip tube with the supply line.

FORM NO. GWS 31 10/94

WELL CONSTRUCTION AND TEST REPORT STATE OF COLORADO, OFFICE OF THE STATE ENGINEER

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1. WELL PERMIT NUMBER 189821 79055-F
2. OWNER NAME(S) George Mason & Elizabeth Chavez
Mailing Address P.O. Box 485
City, St. Zip Silverton Co 81433
Phone (970) 387-5768

3. WELL LOCATION AS DRILLED: SW 1/4 NE 1/4, Sec. 13 Twp. 41 N, Range 8 W
DISTANCES FROM SEC. LINES: 2145 ft. from North Sec. line, and 1485 ft. from East Sec. line. OR
SUBDIVISION: LOT BLOCK FILING(UNIT)
STREET ADDRESS AT WELL LOCATION:

4. GROUND SURFACE ELEVATION ft. DRILLING METHOD Air Rotary
DATE COMPLETED 9-22-95 TOTAL DEPTH 35 ft. DEPTH COMPLETED 35 ft.

5. GEOLOGIC LOG: Table with columns for Depth and Description of Material. Entries include Top Soil (0-2), Boulders (2-16), Water bearing gravel (16-30), and Red Rock (30-35).

6. HOLE DIAM. (in.) From (ft) To (ft)
8 3/4 0 19
6 1/8 19 35

7. PLAIN CASING Table with columns for OD (in), Kind, Wall Size, From(ft), To(ft). Includes entries for 6 5/8 Steel 1.88 11 19 and 5 9/16 Steel 1.88 15 35. Also includes PERF. CASING: Screen Slot Size: 3/8 x 8" 5 9/16 Steel 1.88 19 35.

8. FILTER PACK: Material N/A, Size A, Interval
9. PACKER PLACEMENT: Type N/A, Depth A

10. GROUTING RECORD: Material Amount Density Interval Placement
Cement 3 SKs legal F-F Poured

11. DISINFECTION: Type chlorine HCl Amt. Used 16 oz

12. WELL TEST DATA: TESTING METHOD Air Lift
Static Level 3 ft. Date/Time measured 9-22-95 10:20 am Production Rate 15 gpm.
Pumping level 34 ft. Date/Time measured 9-22-95 11:30 am Test length (hrs.) 1 Hr.

13. I have read the statements made herein and know the contents thereof, and that they are true to my knowledge. [Pursuant to Section 24-4-104 (13)(a) C.R.S., the making of false statements herein constitutes perjury in the second degree and is punishable as a class 1 misdemeanor.]

CONTRACTOR McPherson Drilling Co Phone (970) 887-3983 Lic. No. 1064
Mailing Address P.O. Box 1090 Steamboat Sp. CO 80444

Name/Title (Please type or print) Ben McPherson (owner) Signature S.D. McPherson Date 11-15-95

Form No
GWS-25

OFFICE OF THE STATE ENGINEER
COLORADO DIVISION OF WATER RESOURCES
818 Centennial Bldg., 1313 Sherman St., Denver, Colorado 80203
(303) 866-3581

EXST

WELL PERMIT NUMBER		<u>79055</u>	<u>-F</u>
DIV. 7	WD 30	DES. BASIN	MD

APPLICANT

FILLING STATION LLC (THE)
PO BOX 489
SILVERTON, CO 81433-

(970) 903-4132

APPROVED WELL LOCATION

SAN JUAN COUNTY
NE 1/4 SE 1/4 Section 13
Township 41 N Range 8 W New Mex P.M.

DISTANCES FROM SECTION LINES

2591 Ft from South Section Line
821 Ft from East Section Line

UTM COORDINATES (Meters, Zone: 13, NAD83)

Easting: 263127 Northing: 4188238

CHANGE/EXPANSION OF USE OF AN EXISTING WELL

ISSUANCE OF THIS PERMIT DOES NOT CONFER A WATER RIGHT

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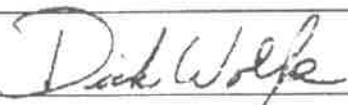
CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

- 1) This well shall be used in such a way as to cause no material injury to existing water rights. The issuance of this permit does not assure the applicant that no injury will occur to another vested water right or preclude another owner of a vested water right from seeking relief in a civil court action.
- 2) The construction of this well shall be in compliance with the Water Well Construction Rules 2 CCR 402-2, unless approval of a variance has been granted by the State Board of Examiners of Water Well Construction and Pump Installation Contractors in accordance with Rule 18.
- 3) Approved pursuant to CRS 37-90-137(2) for the change/expanded use of an existing well constructed under permit no. 189821, to divert ground water tributary to Mineral Creek, a tributary of the Animas River at a point where unappropriated water is available for withdrawal. The issuance of this permit cancels permit no. 189821.
- 4) The pumping rate of this well shall not exceed 15 GPM.
- 5) The annual amount of ground water to be appropriated shall not exceed 2.5 acre-feet (814,627 gallons).
- 6) The use of ground water from this well is limited to commercial purposes, being more detailed as use in a residential duplex, drinking and sanitary facilities for day workers, and irrigation inside commercial greenhouse(s).
- 7) The approval of this permit does not grant a water right. This well is subject to administration by the Division Engineer in accordance with applicable decrees, statutes, rules, and regulations.
- 8) The owner shall mark the well in a conspicuous place with well permit number(s), name of the aquifer, and court case number(s) as appropriate. The owner shall take necessary means and precautions to preserve these markings.
- 9) A totalizing flow meter must be installed on this well and maintained in good working order. Permanent records of all diversions must be maintained by the well owner (recorded at least annually) and submitted to the Division Engineer upon request.
- 10) This well shall be located more than 600 feet from any existing production well completed in the same aquifer that is not owned by the applicant, except for that well for which a 600-foot well spacing waiver statement was obtained from its owner, and not more than 200 feet from the location specified on this permit.

NOTE: This well is located on a parcel of land of 12.63 acres with county parcel identification no. 482700000101.

NOTE: Due to decreed water rights on the Animas River, it is anticipated this well may be subject to administration in the water rights priority system in the future. Without a court approved plan for augmentation or substitute water supply plan, this well may be subject to curtailment. To protect against possible future curtailment, the well owner or operator should consider seeking legal advice in securing a source of augmentation water as necessary to cover depletions caused by well pumping and consumption of ground water, in the event the well should become subject to administration.

APPROVED
JWB


State Engineer

By 
EXPIRATION DATE N/A

Receipt No. 3668694

DATE ISSUED 06-01-2015

ISSUANCE OF THIS PERMIT DOES NOT CONFER A WATER RIGHT

CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL

NOTICE: This permit has been approved subject to the following change: the well location was changed to the NE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of Sec. 13, Twp. 41N, Rng. 8W, N.M.P.M., at distances of 2,591 feet from the south section line and 821 feet from the east section line, based on information obtained by staff of the CDWR Durango, CO office. You are hereby notified that you have the right to appeal the issuance of this permit, by filing a written request with this office within sixty (60) days of the date of issuance, pursuant to the State Administrative Procedures Act. (See Section 24-4-104 through 106, C.R.S.)

—WS. 6/1/15

COLORADO DIVISION OF WATER RESOURCES
 DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES
 1313 SHERMAN ST, RM 821, DENVER, CO 80203
 Main: (303) 866-3581 Fax: (303) 866-2223 gwperm@colorado.gov

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GENERAL PURPOSE
Water Well Permit Application
 Review instructions on reverse side prior to completing form.
 The form must be computer generated, typed or in black or blue ink.

1. Applicant Information
 Name of applicant
 The Filling Station LLC
 Mailing address
 PO Box 489
 City Silverton State CO Zip code 81433
 Telephone # (area code & number) (970)903-4132 E-mail (online filing required) silvertoplacer@gmail.com

6. Use Of Well (check applicable boxes)
 Attach a detailed description of uses applied for.
 Industrial Dewatering System
 Municipal Geothermal (production or reinjection)
 Irrigation Other (describe):
 Commercial

2. Type Of Application (check applicable boxes)
 Construct new well Use existing well
 Replace existing well Change or increase use
 Change source (aquifer) Reapplication (expired permit)
 COGCC Well Other:

7. Well Data (proposed)
 Maximum pumping rate 15 gpm Annual amount to be withdrawn 2.5 acre-feet
 Total depth 35 feet Aquifer

3. Refer To (if applicable)
 Well permit # 189821 Water Court case #
 Designated Basin Determination # Well name or #

8. Land On Which Ground Water Will Be Used
 Legal Description of Land (may be provided as an attachment)
 see attachment

4. Location Of Proposed Well
 County San Juan
 Section 13 Township 41 Range 8.0 N of S E or W N.M.
 Distance of well from section lines (section lines are typically not property lines)
 N. from N S E. from E W
 For replacement wells only - distance and direction from old well to new well
 feet direction

(If used for crop irrigation, attach a scaled map that shows irrigated area)
 A. # Acres B. Owner
 C. List any other wells or water rights used on this land

Well location address (include City, State, Zip) 71463 U.S. Hwy 550 Silverton CO 81433
 Check if well address is same as in item 1
 Optional: GPS well location information in UTM format. You must check GPS unit for required settings as follows.
 Format must be UTM
 Zone 12 or 13 Zone 13 Easting
 Units must be Meters Northing
 Datum must be NAD83
 Well must be set to true north
 Was GPS unit checked for above? YES Remember to set Datum to NAD83

9. Proposed Well Driller License # (optional):
10. Sign or Entered Name Of Applicant(s) Or Authorized Agent
 The making of false statements herein constitutes perjury in the second degree, which is punishable as a class 1 misdemeanor pursuant to C.R.S. 24-4-104 (13)(a). I have read the statements herein, know the contents thereof and state that they are true to my knowledge.
 Sign or enter name(s) of person(s) submitting application Date (mm/dd/yyyy)

5. Parcel On Which Well Will Be Located
 (PLEASE ATTACH A CURRENT DEED FOR THE SUBJECT PARCEL)
 A. Legal Description (may be provided as an attachment)
 see attachment
 B. # of acres in parcel C. Owner
 12.63 The Filling Station LLC
 D. Will this be the only well on this parcel? YES NO (if no list other wells)
 E. State Parcel ID# (optional)
 482700000101

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 USGS map name DWR map no. Surface elev.

Receipt area only
 See app. Sub. 5/19/15 for applicant's signature
 NOTE: Well loc. per Div. office is NE SE 13 - 41N - 8W @ 2591' SCL & 920' ESL
 UTM S. 263127.13 E 4188237.75 N
 NOTE: Had Jeff T. (Div. 7) review draft permit prior to issuance. He looks OK w/ it. - JWS. 6/1/15
 AQUAMAP WF WR CWCB TOPO WYLR SBS
 Transaction # 3668694
 Date: 3/9/2015 3:33:07 PM
 Transaction Total: \$100.00
 CREDIT CARD \$100.00
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EXISTING WELL INFORMATION AND INSPECTION FORM

Division of Water Resources, 1313 Sherman St., Ste 821, Denver, CO 80203
PLEASE COMPLETE THIS FORM IN BLACK INK

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PERMIT NO: 189821 RECEIPT NO: 0390775 DIV: 7 WD: 30

Existing Well Location: SW 1/4 of the NE 1/4, Sec. 13, Twp 41, Rng 80, NM P.M.

2145N feet from N/S sec. line, 1485E feet from the EW sec. line; County SAN JUAN

Existing well owner: Name: FILLING STATION LLC

Mailing Address: POB 489

City/State/Zip: Silverton CO 81333 Telephone: (970) 903-4132

Description of parcel (subdivision, lot, blk, fig): _____ Size: 12.63 ac

Existing well location and visual conditions: If stating no, please explain

Type of Existing Well: Drilled, Hand Dug, Spring Well, Gallery Well, Gravel Pit, Other _____

Distance to nearest septic tank/sewer line (approximate) 80 feet

Distance to nearest leach field (approximate) 125 feet

Is the well in a clean and sanitary location? YES

Is the well maintained in a clean and sanitary condition? YES

Is the ground at the surface sloped away from the well for proper drainage? YES

Is the surface surrounding the well firm and stable? YES

Is the well situated in a well house or vault? WELL HOUSE if so, is the well house or vault in good repair and condition? YES

Existing well construction and materials: If stating no, please explain

Is the well equipped with a sanitary well seal/cap? YES

Is the well constructed with steel casing at the surface? YES

Does the casing extend at least one (1) foot above the surface? YES

Casing size 19 in; Estimated well depth 35 feet

Who constructed well? LOU MORRISON, DENVER Who installed pump? unknown

Current uses of existing well: Were the existing uses initiated prior to May 8, 1972? NO

Household use in single-family dwellings

_____ Watering of poultry and/or domestic animals

_____ Watering of livestock on farm or ranch; approximately how many head? _____

_____ is this a feedlot? _____; How many head? _____

_____ Lawn and/or garden _____ square feet

_____ Crop Irrigation _____ acres

_____ Fire Protection

_____ Commercial exempt for _____

_____ Other _____

Estimated date well constructed 09/22/1995; Estimated date pump installed 1995

Estimated date of first use 10/01/1995; Estimated flow rate 15 gpm

How many other wells are located on this parcel? NO; Uses _____

Permit/Case Nos: nil

Existing Well Owner Signature: [Signature] Date: 05/14/15

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Has information above been verified? _____ If not, please note accordingly

List any problems you have identified: (if none, please state so) _____

Date of inspection: _____ Phone Number: _____

Inspected by (print): _____ (signed): _____

Attach photo(s) if available or needed for further evaluation. Additional comments or information on back.

WATER WELL PERMIT APPLICATION FOR THE FILLING STATION LLC
71463 U.S. HWY 550 SILVERTON, CO 81433

LEGAL DESCRIPTION:

ALL THAT PORTION OF THE SILVERTON PLACER MINING CLAIM, U.S. SURVEY NO.
14665 ANIMAS MINING DISTRICT, LYING EAST OF THE SAN JUAN NATIONAL
FOREST BOUNDARY AND SOUTH OF U.S. HWY 550 .

RE: APPLICATION FOR CHANGE OF USE FROM DOMESTIC TO
COMMERICAL/IRRIGATION FOR MARIJUANIA CULTIVATION FACILITY.

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SANITATION & DRINKING FOR 2 DAY WORKERS @ .034af

IRRIGATION FOR 1800 SQFT GREENHOUSE BASED ON 600 GALLONS DAILY FOR
100 MATURE PLANTS @ .7af

ANTICIPATED FUTURE USAGE FOR IRRIGATION OF GREENHOUSE BASED ON 600
GALLONS DAILY FOR 200 MATURE PLANTS @ .7af

ANTICIPATED FUTURE USAGE FOR SANITATION & DRINKING FOR 4 DAY
WORKERS @ .068af

TOTAL PROPOSED ANNUAL USAGE 2.5 af

3/10/2015

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Billisoly - DNR, John <john.billisoly@state.co.us>

Well Permit App., Rec.#3668694, The Filling Station, LLC

1 message

Billisoly - DNR, John <john.billisoly@state.co.us>
To: Jeff Titus - DNR <jeff.titus@state.co.us>

Tue, Mar 10, 2015 at 8:12 AM

Morning Jeff,

I have attached an application for your pre-evaluation, 600-foot well spacing check and preparation of a checklist.

Thanks,
John W. Billisoly
Physical Science Researcher/Scientist



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Division of Water Resources
Department of Natural Resources

P 303.866.3581, x8216 | F 303.866.2223
1313 Sherman Street, Room 818, Denver, CO 80203
john.billisoly@state.co.us | www.water.state.co.us

station.pdf
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WARRANTY DEED

THIS DEED, Made this 7th day of January, 2015

Between **BODIE HARTMAN F/K/A BARBARA M. TODESCHI F/K/A BARBARA M. CROUCH and LARRY L. CROUCH**

of the County of LARIMER and State of COLORADO, grantor;

and **THE FILLING STATION, LLC, A COLORADO LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY**

whose legal address is P.O. Box 543
Silverton, CO 81433

of the County of SAN JUAN and State of COLORADO, grantee

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WITNESSETH, That the grantor for and in consideration of the sum of **TEN DOLLARS AND OTHER GOOD AND VALUABLE CONSIDERATION** DOLLARS the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, has granted, bargained, sold and conveyed, and by these presents does grant, bargain, sell, convey and confirm, unto the grantee, his heirs and assigns forever, all the real property together with appurtenances, if any, situate, lying and being in the County of San Juan and State of Colorado described as follows:

All that portion of the SILVERTON PLACER MINING CLAIM, U.S. Survey No. 14665 Animas Mining District, lying East of the San Juan National Forest boundary and South of U.S. Highway 550.

LESS AND EXCEPT that portion of the above named mining claim(s), if any, within overlapping mining claims.

As known by street and number as **71463 US Highway 550
Silverton, CO. 81433**

TOGETHER with all and singular the improvements and appurtenances thereto belonging, or in anywise appertaining and the divisions and subdivisions, remainders and reversioners, rents, issues and profits thereof, and all the estate, right title interest, claim and demand whatsoever of the grantor either in Law or equity, of, in and to the above bargained premises with the covenants and agreements hereunder.

TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said premises above bargained and described with the appurtenances unto the grantee, his heirs and assigns forever. And the grantor, in himself, his heirs, and personal representatives, does covenant, grant, bargain, and agree to and with the grantee, his heirs and assigns, that at the time of the executing and delivery of these presents by a well known of the premises above conveyed, has good, size, perfect, absolute and undivided estate of inheritance, in law, in fee simple, and full good right, full power and lawful authority to grant, bargain, sell and convey the same in manner and form as aforesaid, and that the same are free and clear from all former and other grants, mortgages, sales, liens, taxes, assessments, encumbrances and incumbrances of whatever kind or nature soever, except Subject to easements, rights of way, restrictions and servitudes of record, all mill, gas, coal and other mineral rights that have been reserved or conveyed by predecessors in title and any assignments thereof, inclusions of the property within any special taxing district, building and zoning regulations, 2015 taxes due and payable in the year 2016, those specifically described rights of the public not shown by the public records of which Grantee has actual knowledge and which were accepted by Grantee, and any other matters referred by the Title Documents accepted by Grantee in accordance with Subsection 8 of the Real Estate Contract.

The grantor shall and will **WARRANT AND FORBEAR** (DEFEND) the above bargained premises in the quiet and peaceable possession of the grantee, his heirs and assigns, against all and every person or persons lawfully claiming the whole or any part thereof. The singular number shall include the plural, the plural the singular, and the law of any gender shall be applicable to all genders.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the grantor has executed this deed on the date set forth above.

BODIE HARTMAN F/K/A BARBARA M. TODESCHI F/K/A BARBARA M. CROUCH

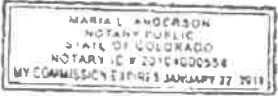
LARRY L. CROUCH

STATE OF COLORADO
COUNTY OF LARIMER

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 7th day of January, 2015
By **LARRY L. CROUCH**

My commission expires 1/22/18

Witness my hand and official seal
[Signature]
Notary Public



Name and Address of Person Creating Newly Created Legal Document: K.R. 9-05-05 (10-0)

DIVISION 7 CHECKLIST
WELL PERMIT APPLICATIONS

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Applicant Name The Filling Station LLC

Application in BLUE or BLACK ink:

Correct Fee: Check # Rec # 3668694
 Credit Card receipt attached
 Money Order

Type of permit application
 1) GWS- 46 Monitoring/Observation Well
 2) GWS-45 General Purpose Well, Type: _____
 3) GWS-44 Residential Well
 4) GWS-78 Rooftop Precipitation Collection System

Previous permit # _____ County La Plata

Tributary Mineral Creek River System Animas

Location: ~~NE~~ SE 1/4, Section 13 TWP 41 N. RNG 8 (W) E
Distances from section lines 2591 (W) 821 (E)

Over-appropriated
 Subdivided before June 1, 1972
 Subdivision Name _____ Lot# _____ Filing _____
 Required attachments (proof of pre-1972, legal description or plat)
 Square 40 acre parcel
 Augmented - Case no. _____ Aug Plan _____

Non-overappropriated

Ownership of Property Verified - Circle one (Deed attached) (Parcel Ownership Verified) (Signature Authorization Attached)

Variance type well
 Request for variance
 Construction diagram

600 foot spacing statements
 County parcel number 4827-000-00-101
Water District 30A

Comments
Non Critical, Expand Use, Correct location, One poss. blg
Well within 600, Spacing waiver attached

Signature: [Signature]

Date: 3/16/15

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600' Spacing Waiver

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State Engineer
Colorado Division of Water Resources
1313 Sherman St., Room 818
Denver, CO 80203

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In regard to the well, or proposed well, located at (lot, block, subdivision, or street address)
71463 US Hwy 550 Silverton CO 81433

Parcel number if known 482700000101

Proposed Use of Well commercial & irrigation

I understand an application has been made for a non-exempt well permit at a location that may be within 600 feet of my existing well located at (lot, block, subdivision or street address and number of acres)

1450 US HWY 550 Silverton CO 81433

of acres 4.61

Parcel number if known 48270000010140

I have no objection to the non-exempt use, or issuance of a non-exempt permit for, this well and therefore consent to waiving my right to a State Engineer hearing of opposition (granted by CRS 37-90-137(2)).

Signed:  3/13/2015

Printed name: George Foster

Address: PO BOX 57 SILVERTON CO 81433-0057

Phone (970)769-1432

Scenic Quality Report

Silverton Placer

Introduction & Site Location:

This is a scenic quality report for the Proposed Greenhouse Improvements, located on the Silverton Placer South of Highway 550 – 14665 (12.63 Acre Portion of), prepared by Kevin Farmer.

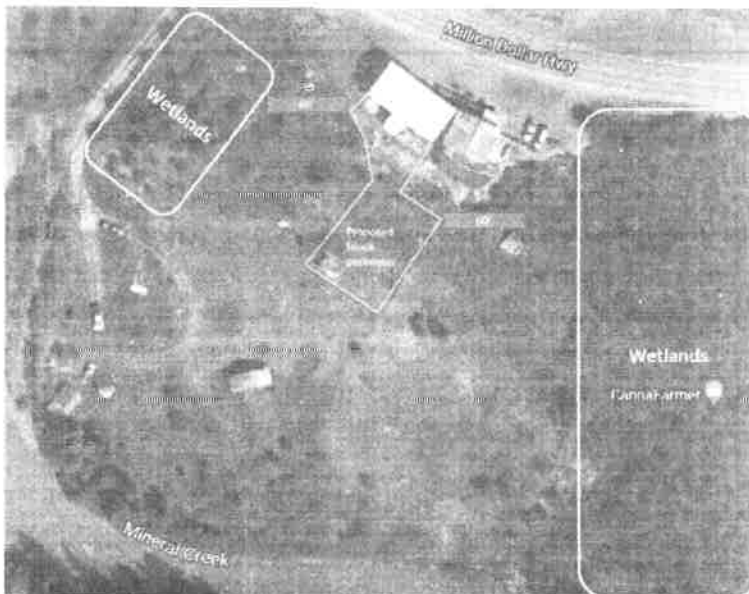
The Silverton Placer is located in the Economic Development Corridor (ED) on the South side of Highway 550. The site already has CDOT access permit for the Proposed Greenhouse Improvements and the resulting business changes. The ED zone is where development is to be concentrated and encouraged, when compared to development on more remote and less accessible backcountry sites.

Project Site & Proposed Greenhouses (3) Location:

The project site, the Silverton Placer, consists of approximately 12 acres of flat pasture land, wetlands, and Mineral Creek runs through the property from west to east as it flows towards the Animas River junction. The approximate elevation of the site is 9,400 ft.

The Applicant, San Juan Cultivation, LLC, has proposed to erect three temporary hoop style greenhouse structures, a security fence, sight block cedar fence and landscaping trees (native to San Juan County), camera and security system, and above ground irrigation. The proposed improvement envelope is in the pasture immediately behind the existing warehouse being used for cultivation. This space drops below the road grade by approximately 10' concealing 90%+ of the proposed structures.

Setbacks are substantially greater than 40' requirements from Mineral Creek or any wetlands areas which are concentrated on the East and West ends of the property where the pasture behind the property is the subject site.



Visibility of the Greenhouses, Fence, Cedar Site Block Fence & Landscaping Trees from HWY 550:

HWY 550 passes past the subject site. Fortunately the subject improvements are behind the existing warehouse and duplex (shop & apartment). Additionally, the majority of the Security Fence and all of the greenhouse structures drop in elevation down to the pasture preserving the integrity of the scenic experience by cars driving down the highway.

The addition of a Cedar Site Block fence and Landscaping trees native to the San Juan's will eliminate almost all of the view of the security fence and greenhouse rafters and continue to improve the image of the existing warehouse and duplex.

Below are graphic depictions of the visibility changes for those traveling on HWY 550:



Location of Landscaping Trees to block small windows as vehicles pass by at 45mph.



Location Of Improvements Was Selected For Proximity to Existing Structures and Minimization of Visibility From Public Land and Existing Trails:

Location of the structure drops below the existing warehouse and duplex, blocking most of the view from HWY 550.

The Rainbow Trail that runs above the road grade against the north side of the valley will incur the largest visibility change as the greenhouse structures will be partially visible as the elevation of the trail is high enough to view from a limited "birds eye" perspective. As an approved commercial cannabis facility, the additions of greenhouses that can be seen from this trail would not be considered out of place or inappropriate, especially considering the subject's location in the Economic Development Corridor. The greenhouses are professionally engineered and will be maintained to ensure covers do not tear or become loose from the structure.

From November 1st – March 31st the covering will be removed to allow snow to fall directly to the ground eliminating any snow load issues on the structures. Only the hoop frames will remain in place during the winter months. All coverings and irrigation (non-visible) will be removed and stored within the existing warehouse during the winter months.

Topsoil, Utilities, Lighting, Driveways:

Topsoil: There will be no removal of topsoil. Additional organic growing medium inputs will be added to the topsoil within the greenhouse structures for the express purpose of cultivation organic cannabis.

Utilities: Utilities are already on site and will not need to be altered for the proposed improvements. There will be additional camera and perimeter alarms tied in to the existing security system maintained in the existing warehouse facility. All camera and perimeter alarms are wireless and intended to be utilized outdoors.

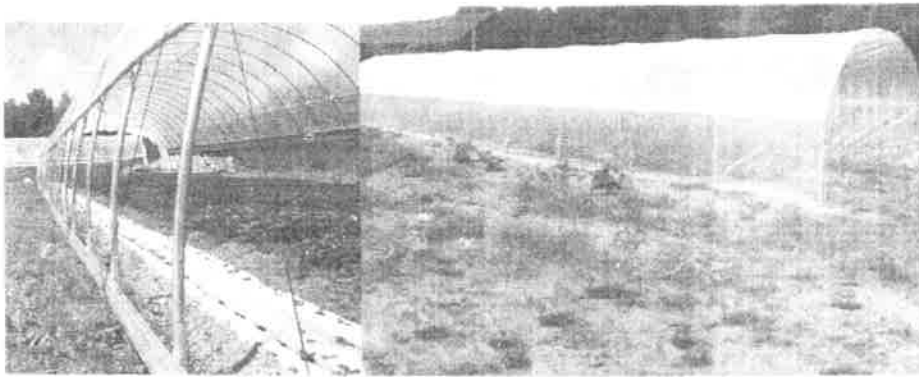
Lighting: There will be no additional lighting used. All security cameras are outfitted with night vision technology. Additional lighting can interfere with the photoperiod sensitivity of the plants and therefore the "dark sky" will be not only maintained by necessary to ensure the production cycle isn't impacted.

Driveways: There will be no additional driveways or access necessary for the proposed improvements. There is not expected to be any change in traffic to the existing businesses on site as we're simply moving the cultivation of cannabis under the sun vs. under the high demand lighting that is currently in place.

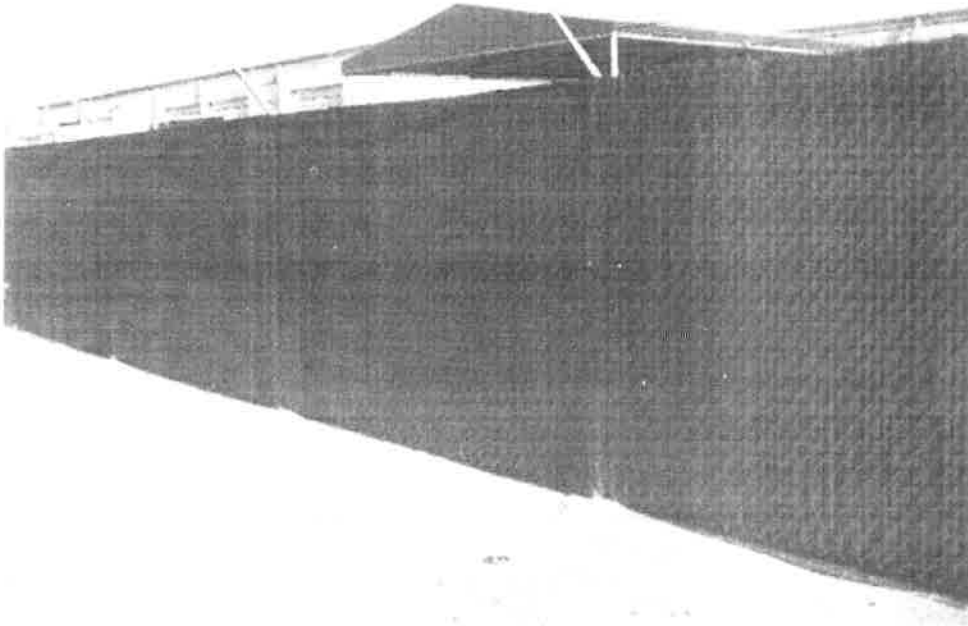
Building Materials:

The components of the project that will be viewable from the highway are intended to match the existing site block fencing (cedar) and landscape utilizing native trees to cover the small windows where the existing vegetation does not fully block the view of the proposed structures. No reflective or textures not found on the site will be utilized in the proposed improvements. Below are images of each component of the proposed improvements.

Greenhouse Images:



Security Fence (state required)



Perimeter Gate Material (corrugated metal siding – rusted finish)





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Date: July 11, 2021.

For: July 14 Board of County Commissioners Meeting.

From: Town/County Planning Director.

Regarding: Some of the Planning Department Work During the Past Two Weeks.

Town and County Recent Projects

- The Town/County Building/Planning Departments have been very busy this summer with a high volume of applications. The majority of applications have some submittal items missing. We are currently processing approximately 30 Town/County planning applications.
- The Town/County Building/Planning Departments (and Town Public Works) have been receiving and replying to a high volume of calls and emails requesting information on individual sites. Typical inquiries involve questions about hazard districts in Town (such as avalanche/floodplain), how to extend proposed infrastructure, and in many cases higher than normal proposed density and/or homes in the ED zone (originally intended for light industrial). For the County, typical inquiries are regarding various mining claims, and the sites for future cabins seem to be steeper and more remote than what we have previously seen. The other type of mining claim inquiries seems to be previously-approved cabin sites that are changing hands.
- There are recently a lot of “administrative review” County permit applications. These typically include: applications for proposed structures on existing Lots in existing County subdivisions (ie, attached Gleason approval letter). Also there are some County special events permit applications, upcoming County sign permit applications/special use permit applications.
- The Planning Commission will meet on July 20 to discuss two Town applications. One is the proposed Miners Flats Eight Unit Condo Structure Planned Unit Development (PUD) on Cement Street near 14th Street. The other is an application for two proposed vintage airstreams to be placed behind the Weaving Studio Historic Building on Greene Street, to be used as non-winter Proposed Lodging Establishment Suites.
- The new Town Planning Assistant Clark Thornhill has been helping to address a backlog of Town/County Planning Department applications and workload.
- The Town/County Building Department is experiencing a very high volume of construction and Building Permits this summer, perhaps a record breaking amount. The construction at present tends to be in Town and not much in the County.
- Draft Ordinances we are starting to work on in the Town/County Planning/Building Departments include: maximum structural square footages/footprints for both Town and County, revisions to RV/Camper Park regulations, revisions to address a shortage of housing.
- I am seeing an increase in mining claim owners calling this summer to request a permit for mitigating beetle kill trees. 5,000 board feet of cutting is allowed without a County permit.
- Please contact me with any questions at (970) 946-9408 or “ladair@silverton.co.us”



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Date: June 30, 2021.

Applicant: Andy Gleason.

From: Town/County Planning Director L. Adair.

Project: Proposed Gleason Residence on Lot 2 in the Gleason Subdivision of Tract A-1 of the Ophir Placer USMS No. 1124, County Road 6 (Shrine Road), near Silverton, in San Juan County, Colorado.

Project Description: This letter is regarding a County Improvement Permit Application submitted by Andy Gleason in 2021, for the Proposed Gleason Residence, which will be constructed on the existing vacant Lot 2 of the Gleason Subdivision. The Subdivision contains two Lots and was previously approved by the County in 2007. The 2007 Subdivision divided Tract A-1 of the Ophir Placer USMS No. 1124 into two Lots, which are accessed by County Road 6 (the Shrine Road). The proposed improvements consist of a proposed residence, a septic system, relatively minor driveway grading, with a cistern to be placed inside the residence basement.

Application: The application was submitted electronically in March 2021, attached. The application is adequately complete. An application fee was paid to the County Treasurer on June 17, 2021. \$350 was paid which is an overpayment of \$50. The Planning Department files contained a copy of the Subdivision Plat (filed on December 14, 2007). The Planning Department files contained a letter conditionally approving the Subdivision (dated October 9, 2007). Those previous Subdivision documents are attached and some excerpts are included below. The 2021 application documents have been scanned and posted on the County website. The County Zoning and Land Use Regulations do not require adjacent land owner notification for an Improvement Permit Application that is involving an existing Lot in an existing Subdivision.

Review Process: The Improvement Permit Application submitted in 2021 can be administratively reviewed by County Staff if the current proposal complies with all of the County's previous requirements which are specified in the attached 2007 documents, including Subdivision Plat Notes and Subdivision Conditions of Approval.

Subdivision Requirements from 2007:

A. Previous Conditions of Approval from 2007:

1. That the final plat drawings specifically identify the dedicated Open Space as an easement rather than land dedicated to the County.
2. That access to the property be guaranteed to future property owners through a new agreement with the owner of the driveway on Tract A-2 of Ophir Placer *or* the establishment of a driveway permit directly from the Shrine Road (County Road 6).

- **Subdivision Improvements:** The 2021-2022 construction shall comply with all sections of the current adopted County Zoning and Land Use Regulations including the section referenced in the 2007 Conditions of Approval titled “7-112 FINAL PLAT DESIGN STANDARDS.” The 2007 Condition of Approval appears to require a Subdivision Improvements Agreement (SIA) however the Subdivision utilities had already been placed, and the shared driveway had already been constructed. Section 7-112 does include the County’s requirements for septic systems. The proposed construction which includes a proposed residence, a proposed septic system, some minor on site driveway grading, placement of a propane tank and cistern, and a proposed shed, shall comply with all parts of the County regulations, including but not limited to those described within Section 7-112. At this time there does not appear to be a need for a SIA document, because the Subdivision infrastructure required of County Subdividers/Developers has already been installed. The exception would be the Lot 2 septic system, and that needs to be constructed and approved in accordance with the requirements of the San Juan Basin Public Health Department (SJBPH) before any County Building Department Certificate of Occupancy (C.O.) for the proposed residence can be obtained. A SIA document (and any potential associated Subdivision Public Improvements Bond) does not appear to be required at this time.
- **County Road Maintenance/Plowing:** The Applicant’s 2007 Subdivision Plat acknowledges that the County Road is not required to be plowed or maintained, which complies with the 2007 Condition of Approval. However, in speaking with the County Road and Bridge Supervisor Louie Girodo in May 2021, the Shrine Road is in fact currently plowed from Highway 550 to the Christ of the Mines Shrine. The existing shared driveway for this two-Lot Subdivision and the project site begins along that currently-plowed stretch. The Applicant has acknowledged in writing and on the 2007 Plat that there is no guarantee that plowing or maintenance will occur. The County Road and Bridge Supervisor verbally stated to me by phone that he has no concerns or requirements for this existing shared driveway or this Improvement Permit Application.
- **Emergency Services:** The Applicant’s 2007 Subdivision Plat acknowledges the limitations associated with emergency services, which complies with the 2007 Condition of Approval. There is no mention of plowing of the driveway which could significantly affect fire truck access. It is recommended that the Applicant use a passenger pickup truck with plow attachment to plow the driveway from CR 6 to the proposed residence when occupied in winter for fire (and emergency services) access given the wooded terrain and proximity to Town. It is recommended that the proposed cistern be kept full for adequate fire protection.
- **From the County Zoning and Land Use Regulations: All applications for review under this Chapter will be examined initially to determine whether the proposal is consistent with the County’s Master Plan.** The County Economic Corridors Map and corresponding description on pages 35-36 of the 2010 Town/County Master Plan were reviewed. The scale of the Map does not clearly depict whether or not the Shrine Road is defined as a County Economic Corridor, but both ends of the Shrine Road are shown as Economic Corridors. The Master Plan description of the criteria for the types of lands in the Economic Corridors appears to match the attributes of this project site. This site is a Lot in a previously approved 2007 County Subdivision, and that indicates that it likely complies with the general goals of the Master Plan which existed in 2007. The 2010 Master Plan states: Generally, the corridors contain less-steep terrain and more developable mining claims than other parts of the unincorporated county. The economic corridors have year-round plowed county roads or direct access to Hwy 550, meaning that they have year round access to services dependent on wheeled vehicle access (ambulance, fire and law enforcement). The 2010 Master Plan also states: Goal LU-2 Focus future development on mining claims into economic corridors that are environmentally suitable, where public services are available and that provide feasible opportunities for growing the community and the economy. This proposal, of a single family residence and associated improvements, being fairly compatible with and located close

Adequate utilities at this site appear to include hauled water, a proposed septic system, electric service is installed, a propane tank is proposed, and the applicant may want to consider extending a pipe from the existing subdivision water well which could provide additional well water for fire suppression. The existing well water is poor quality for drinking; however, it could possibly be hooked up to a standpipe or hydrant for emergency fire use. It is assumed at this time that electric will be provided by San Miguel Power Association and propane will be provided by Silverton LP Gas. The County regulations do not require electric or propane.

- **(i) Adequate emergency services exist to serve the proposed use, unless deemed unnecessary or not practical.**

Emergency services access to this site is not ideal, however the access and expected short response time for any fire/emergency services are much better than most County properties. The driveway being kept maintained and plowed during winter will greatly improve the ability of reaching the structure in the event of a house fire or wildfire.

- **(j) There are natural hazards which may adversely affect the site or the proposed use of the site.**

The geologic and avalanche hazards at this site have been investigated within the 2021 application, and the site appears to have hazards which are negligible and/or can be mitigated. The fire hazard at the site, however, could be considered significant due to the existing dense trees/vegetation. The applicant should take great care to follow the recommendations in the Colorado Fire Wise guidelines to create a defensible space around the structure(s) (residence and shed). The applicant will need to balance removal of vegetation for reduction of fire hazards, versus providing some screening for mitigation of visual impacts as viewed from the Shrine Road, Town Streets, and Highway 550.

- **Town County Mutual Overlay Zone:**

The proposed single family residence and associated improvements may be located within the Town and County Mutual Overlay District or area of Mutual Interest. The application is forwarded to the other governing body's (the Town's) staff for review.

Summary: The Improvement Permit Application submitted in March 2021 for the Proposed Gleason Residence on Lot 2 in the Gleason Subdivision, of Tract A-1 of the Ophir Placer, appears to be in general compliance with the 2010 Master Plan, the County Zoning and Land Use Regulations, and the County's 2007 requirements of the Subdivision.

The Permit Application is administratively reviewed and conditionally approved with the following Conditions of Approval.

Please review, and acknowledge agreement with, the following Conditions of Approval, by signing at the bottom of this document, in the presence of a Notary Public.

A signed notarized copy of these Conditions of Approval shall immediately be filed at the San Juan County Courthouse (contact County Clerk Ladonna Jaramillo at 970-387-5671).

(Please see following page)

10. The site shall have adequate **screening** in general compliance with the County's adopted "screening" requirements. If the structure is visible from the Shrine Road, the Highway, or Town, then the County Staff can require screening. The applicant can discuss the County Staff screening requirements with the Board of County Commissioners for a final determination.
11. The Applicants follow all recommendations of the **avalanche** and geological hazards expert, to determine the orientation of the proposed structures uphill corners, design methods to reduce the overall on-site hazard potential to humans and structure(s), to assist in selecting utility depths/locations (including utilities and propane tanks) and assist with proposed parking locations to reduce hazard exposure.
12. The project shall comply with all applicable San Juan County Zoning and Land Use **Regulations**. The violation of San Juan County Zoning and Land Use Regulations, any State or Federal regulations, shall cause this permit to be void. If requirements differ, the most stringent shall apply.
13. A wildfire mitigation consultant from the Four Corners region is recommended, to create a defensible space, and to provide **fire mitigation** written/verbal recommendations, to reduce the overall hazards of a forest fire causing fire to the proposed structure, and to reduce the hazards of this structure causing a forest fire. A wildfire mitigation consultant can work with the Applicant and the local fire authorities, to develop recommendations, which shall be installed/followed by the Applicant, on items including but not limited to: defensible space, dead standing/brush/tree thinning, placement/sizing of cistern(s), any fire sprinklers/alarms/suppression system, availability of water, placement of propane/combustibles, selection of heat/woodstoves, fire resistant building materials.
14. On site **burning** of cut tree limbs and brush requires notification of the Sheriff and Fire Departments prior to the controlled burn. Water and tools shall be readily available directly adjacent to the fire during any controlled burn and there shall be no unsupervised campfires or burn piles. The Sheriff and Fire Departments shall have the right to prevent the owner and contractor from burning, if weather conditions are expected to be dry or windy. Additionally, all required permits, including but not limited to San Juan Basin Health Department and CDPHE permits, shall be obtained by the Applicants prior to controlled burns.
15. Immediately prior to tree clearing, grading, and foundation excavation occurring **within 30 feet of any of property lines** of the project site, the property lines shall be roped off using survey flagging or caution tape, by a Licensed Surveyor. The flagging marking the closest property line shall be clearly understandable in the field, for measuring and to prevent the tree clearing/heavy equipment from trespassing onto any adjacent lands.
16. Fire **sprinklers** are encouraged but not required.
17. Vehicle **parking** shall be located outside of the 60 feet wide CR 6 right of way, unless approved in writing otherwise by the County Road & Bridge Department. Parking associated with the proposed structure shall not cause a safety hazard to public/private plowing, Road & Bridge, the travelling public. Parking area locations shall be selected to minimize human avalanche exposure.
18. **Building materials** shall meet the requirements of the San Juan County Land Use Regulations including natural colors and non-reflective materials. The building materials shall consist of natural materials reflecting the natural terrain. Fire resistant building materials are encouraged.

**Gleason Subdivision, a Re-Subdivision of Tract A-1
of the Boundary Survey of a part of
Tract A of the Ophir Placer, M.S. 1124**

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That J. Andrew and Leslie Gleason, whose address is 705 Kearney St., Durango, CO 81301, being the legal and record owner of all that property described as Tract A-1 in the Boundary Survey of a part of Tract A of the Ophir Placer, M.S. 1124, in the County of San Juan, State of Colorado, have caused this same to be subdivided and platted under the name and style the Gleason Subdivision.

DEDICATIONS:

The 20 foot access easement is hereby dedicated for the use and benefit of owners and future owners of Lot 2 in this subdivision for vehicular, pedestrian, hiking and recreational purposes.

The 30 foot wide easement under Reservation No. 1 is hereby dedicated for the use and benefit of owners and future owners of lots in this subdivision and to public utility providers for the installation, maintenance and future replacement of public utilities.

The 15 foot wide utility easements are hereby dedicated to public utility providers for the installation, maintenance and replacement of public utilities to lots in this subdivision.

The 60 foot wide right of way easement is hereby dedicated to San Juan County for road purposes and to public utility providers for the installation, maintenance and replacement of public utilities. The dedication or statement of purpose was made for the 60 foot right of way shown on the record plat of the Gleason Subdivision, M.S. 1124, in the County of San Juan, State of Colorado. The dedication of the right of way herein replaces the prior undated right of way.

The designated Open Space Easement is hereby dedicated to the public for pedestrian, hiking and recreational purposes.

PLAT NOTICE:

County Road 6 does not necessarily receive winter maintenance and will not receive improved or emergency services may not be available in a timely manner and perhaps not at all.

CERTIFICATE OF OWNERS

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT by J. Andrew and Leslie Gleason by [Signature]

STATE OF COLORADO)
COUNTY OF SAN JUAN) SS

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 14th day of July, 2007, by J. Andrew and Leslie Gleason, known to me to be the persons whose names are subscribed to the same.

My commission expires 10/15/15 Date



CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL

This plat and statements herein are approved and accepted by the County of San Juan, Colorado, this 14th day of July, 2007.

Attest: [Signature] Planning Commission Chairman

Attest: [Signature] Chairman of Board of County Commissioners

Attest: [Signature] Clerk of the Board

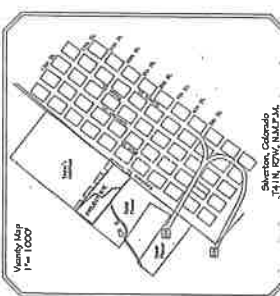
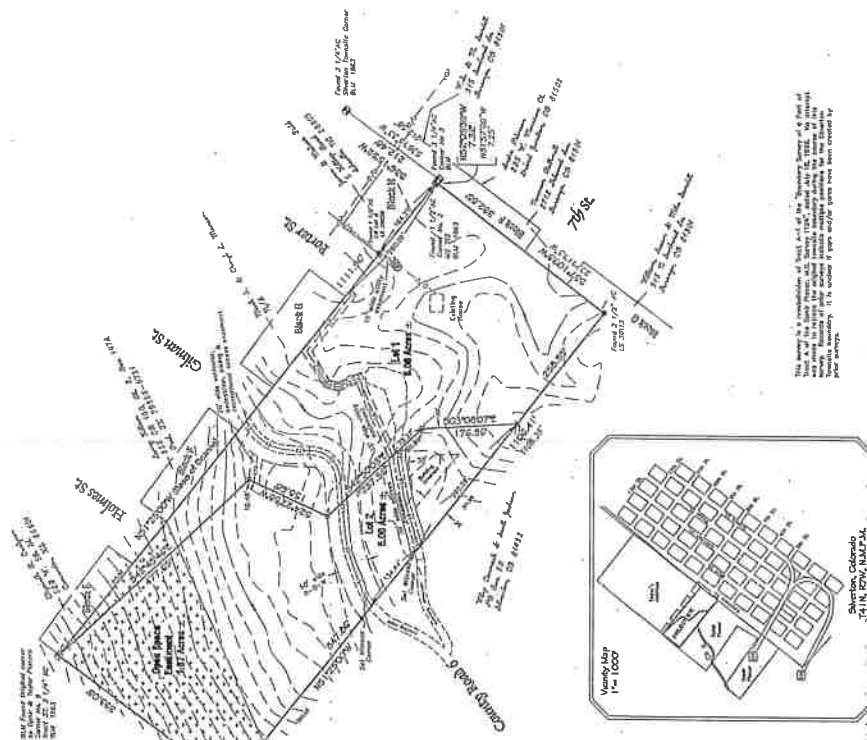
SURVEYORS STATEMENT:

This survey is subject to any facts that may be disclosed by a title search and abstract. I hereby state this plat is based on a field survey made by me or under my direct supervision, and that I am a duly licensed and duly qualified surveyor, geodesist, and engineer, as defined in the laws of the State of Colorado at the time of survey.

NOTICE: According to Colorado law you must commence any legal action based upon any defect in this survey within three years after you first discovered such defect. In no event, may any action based upon any defect in this survey be commenced more than ten years from the date of the certification shown herein.



Gilbbons = NBO Inc.
P.O. Box 178
Durango, CO 81301
Gleason Subdivision, a Re-Subdivision of Tract A-1
of the Boundary Survey of a part of
Tract A of the Ophir Placer, M.S. 1124
San Juan County
Colorado
Created by: [Signature] Date: November 1, 2007
Scale: 1" = 100'



CURVE TABLE

CURVE	LENGTH	RADIUS	DIRECTION	CHORD
C1	55.84	75.00	S55°21'35"W	30.63
C2	10.36	28.00	S70°33'40"W	7.17
C3	10.36	28.00	S20°48'41"W	7.17
C4	37.66	100.00	S20°48'41"W	24.24

LINE TABLE

LINE	LENGTH	BEARING
L1	7.18	S30°10'00"W
L2	135.03	N57°23'00"W
L3	27.45	S71°13'00"W
L4	27.45	S71°13'00"E
L5	41.60	S25°25'00"E
L6	154.41	S66°10'00"W
L7	13.54	N90°15'00"W
L8	72.14	S72°45'00"W
L9	72.14	S72°45'00"W
L10	20.84	S72°45'00"W
L11	47.42	S64°09'20"W
L12	63.65	S64°30'51"W
L13	37.24	S09°54'24"W
L14	42.65	S09°54'24"W
L15	42.65	S09°54'24"W
L16	37.67	S70°45'54"W

Graphic Scale: 1 inch = 100 feet
Contour Interval: 10 feet (digitized from Switzer Base Map prepared for San Juan Regional Planning Commission, Durango, 1982, by Ute Engineering)
Banks of bearing is S11°20'00"E between the banks of the NE and SE corners of this property.
Scale: 1" = 1 1/2" AC, LS 2349B

NOTICE: The location of subsurface utilities and features is unknown.
Designated Open Spaces: 302.21' x 322.45'
Field Dimensions: 837.0999' by 322.45'
Record Dimensions: 837.1137'

Direct Surface Utilities Table:
Total Open Spaces: 1.87 acres
Lot 2 Open Spaces: 1.71 acres
Total Open Spaces: 15.76% of proposed



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July 7, 2021

San Juan County Board of Equalization:

The following information is reported to the CBOE each year pursuant to § 39-8-105, C.R.S.

1) Assessed Value:

The total assessed value of all taxable property in San Juan County after assessor protest adjustments, but prior to CBOE adjustments is **\$54,172,053**. This represents a 18% increase from the 2020 final assessed value.

2) Real Property Protests:

The Assessor's office received protests for 174 accounts, a decrease from 283 accounts protested in 2019, the previous re-appraisal year.

- 66 Mining claim accounts
- 52 Vacant land
- 41 Residential
- 15 Commercial and Mixed Use

Personal Property: We did not receive any Personal Property protests for 2021. There are 25 businesses that own taxable Personal Property but failed to return a declaration in accordance with § 39-3-119.5, C.R.S. The Assessor's office valued these accounts using the best information available.

Account	Name
P20110	Ivy League Ventures LLC (Avon Hotel)
P20119	Anvil Manufacturing LLC (Venture Snowboards)
P20480	Silverton LP Gas Co
P20510	American Heritage Railways Hotels LLC
P20535	Natalia's Restaurant and Retail
P20568	Bruin Waste Management
P20570	Forethought.Net
P20780	Turner Mary Ann (Alma House B&B)
P20860	John Demaree Properties LLC (Triangle Motel)
P20880	Citizens State Bank
P20940	Graham Judith E (Wingate House)
P21001	Golden Block Brewery
P21008	Middleton Motorsports
P21019	San Juan Backcountry
P21038	Eureka Station
P22002	Ruijs Allison (Former Sage Hen Café)
P22008	Harms Thomas & Robin Marissa (former vacation rental)
P22018	Polaris Experience LLC (Leased to Rock & Ice Pirates)
P30038	Core Mountain Enterprises LLC (Silverton Mountain)
P30052	Brokering H Robert & Theresa A (Eureka Boarding House)
P30056	Ensero Solutions Us, Inc
P30141	Sunnyside Gold Corp
P31008	Canna-Farmer
P40180	Niederstadt William G (Cascade Village Condo)
P42034	R&M Breaux Real Property LLC (Cascade Village Condo)

4) Movable Equipment Apportionments (Oil/Gas Drilling Rigs): None

Kimberly Buck
San Juan County Assessor



Willy Tookey <admin@sanjuancolorado.us>

Group 2 Western District Listening Tour

1 message

Cody Davis <cody.davis@mesacounty.us>

Thu, Jul 8, 2021 at 11:44 AM

To: Keith Caddy <kcaddy@montrosecounty.net>, Daphne Gervais <DGervais@ccionline.org>, Katie First <kfirst@ccionline.org>, John Swartout <JSwartout@ccionline.org>

Greetings Commissioners!

As your recently elected Vice President of the CCI western district and on behalf of President, Keith Caddy, I'd like to invite you to a virtual listening tour that will help us set the agenda for our August 20 district meeting in Montrose. We have split up the counties into two separate groups that will allow for better focus and greater opportunity for commissioners to speak at each meeting.

Group 1 is composed of Montrose, Mesa, Delta, Garfield, Rio Blanco, Moffat, and Dolores Counties.

Group 2 is composed of Archuleta, Gunnison, Hinsdale, La Plata, Montezuma, Ouray, Route, San Juan, and San Miguel.

We have scheduled 90 minutes to listen to the issues and concerns that you would like to discuss as a larger group, in August. It would be nice to have at least one commissioner from every county represented. I know schedules are tight, but I'd greatly really appreciate your engagement on this effort.

Below is the meeting information for group 2. We'll be sending out a calendar invite soon.

GROUP 2: Routt, Gunnison, Ouray, San Miguel, San Juan, Hinsdale, La Plata, Archuleta, Montezuma

Thursday, July 22, 2-3:30pm

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81277170266?pwd=NEJHQlg4SGNHM0pjOVd3VEIBZ3dWUT09>

Meeting ID: 812 7717 0266

Passcode: 077174

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Best,

Cody Davis

Mesa County Commissioner, District 1



544 Rood Ave
Grand Junction, CO 81501

Bonita Peak Mining District Update

June 2021



COLORADO
Department of Public
Health & Environment



<http://www.epa.gov/superfund/bonita-peak>

Site Announcements

- EPA plans to begin work at Terry Tunnel in July to dewater and open the portal. This work will cause the closure of County Road 25 and EPA will announce once the road has been reopened. EPA started preparing the area for this work in June.
- EPA is conducting a removal action at the Pride of the West Mill. The action will remove improperly stored chemicals and hazardous materials from the building. For updates visit our [removal website](https://response.epa.gov/prideofthewestmill) (<https://response.epa.gov/prideofthewestmill>).



Figure 1: Pride of the West Mill

Site Updates

Kohler/Junction Mines

- EPA is continuing work from the 2020 season at the Kohler/Junction Mines to remove sediment from settling ponds located at these mines. This work restarted in June and is expected to wrap up in July.

Bandora Mine

- EPA is currently collecting geophysical data to evaluate stability and the presence of water. Additional work will follow this summer, including mining influenced water diversion, culvert installation, and potential well installation above the collapsed portal.



Figure 2: Kohler Tunnel sediment removal

Gold King Mine

- EPA expects to begin work to drill a horizontal borehole near the Gold King Mine in July. This borehole will gather geologic data to assist in evaluating options for long term stability and flow control.

BLM/Mighty Monarch and Lackawanna Mill Site

- The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) will perform work at Mighty Monarch and the Lackawanna Mill site in preparation for the transfer of these lands to the Town of Silverton. Once these lands transfer to Silverton, they will be in ongoing “operations and maintenance” as cleanup activities are completed.

Site-Wide Waste Repository

- EPA and the State of Colorado are working on a multiple stage design for the long-term waste repository, which will be used to manage and store remediated waste from throughout the site. EPA developed a technical considerations document which is available on the EPA’s website (see link below in New on the Web) to provide preliminary concepts



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Extension of Road Closure for Terry Tunnel work??

1 message

Jenkins, Joy <Jenkins.Joy@epa.gov>

Mon, Jul 12, 2021 at 5:40 PM

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Cc: "Guy, Kerry" <Guy.Kerry@epa.gov>, "Parker, Robert" <Parker.Robert@epa.gov>, "Jones, Athena" <Jones.Athena@epa.gov>, "Archer, Beth" <archer.elizabeth@epa.gov>

Hi Scott and Willy,

The Drilling company (Authentic Drilling from Denver) that was selected to do the Terry Tunnel borehole work, got delayed by a few days and then let us know they cannot make it until the end of this week. So we are wondering if it is possible for us to extend the road closure to be able to complete the borehole installation and the water pumping work?

We originally anticipated being complete with those activities on July 26th, but the company's delay will set us back more than a week. And to be on the safe side we like a two week extension.

Please let us know if this is ok, or if there is a more formal process we should go through to ask for an extension of the road closure.

We can add additional notices in the Silverton Standard as needed.

Thanks for considering this request!

- Joy

Joy Jenkins, Ph.D., P.E.

Environmental Engineer

Remedial Project Manager

Superfund Remedial Branch (8SEM-RB-SB)

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Semi Annual Report

Statement of Revenues and Disbursements

San Juan County

Selected Fiscal Year: 2021 Selected Date Range: 1/1/2021 - 6/30/2021

Fund	Balance 1/1/2021	Current Tax	Prior Tax	Specific Ownership	Misc. Collections	Disbursements	Treasurer's Fees	Other Expenses	Balance 6/30/2021
010 - COUNTY GENERAL FUND	459,986.49	682,408.99	-90.55	58,433.95	1,328,819.66	1,817,830.59	40,067.90	284,509.55	387,150.50
020 - COUNTY ROAD & BRIDGE	391,977.04	9,178.07	-1.66	1,075.79	356,112.26	195,720.76	3,263.44	48,215.62	511,141.68
030 - CONTINGENT FUND	54,554.94	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	54,554.94
035 - AMENDMENT 1-EMERGENCY	30,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	30,000.00
040 - SOCIAL SERVICE FUND	69,042.64	10,441.49	-1.38	894.45	52,089.78	54,446.67	0.00	1.38	78,018.93
045 - AFFORDABLE HOUSING FUN	152,959.40	51.78	0.00	0.00	51,033.77	0.00	0.00	436.82	203,608.13
050 - CONSERVATION TRUST	9,869.02	185.22	0.00	0.00	237.44	0.00	2.34	0.00	10,289.34
051 - LODGING TAX FUND	225,586.04	0.00	0.00	0.00	53,315.49	0.00	0.00	20,000.00	258,901.53
052 - TOURISM BOARD FUND	14,188.95	1.15	0.00	0.00	45,000.00	0.00	0.00	49,354.79	9,834.79
055 - NOXIOUS WEED FUND	1,988.18	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,988.18
060 - TOWN OF SILVERTON	1,232.50	189,770.03	-50.09	17,160.27	1,871.77	206,262.68	3,745.01	51.59	74.80
070 - DURANGO FIRE PROTECTIO	-1,768.32	52,811.37	0.02	4,096.20	0.00	54,881.53	0.00	2,640.57	2,387.83
080 - SOUTHWEST WATER CONSE	246.68	14,603.65	-1.93	1,251.00	2.03	15,309.73	0.00	732.10	59.60
090 - ADVERTISING FEES	9,518.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	9,518.40
100 - REDEMPTION	312.30	0.00	0.00	0.00	47,412.60	30,418.52	0.00	16,994.08	312.30
110 - SCHOOL GENERAL	-3,212.73	408,723.54	-54.19	35,012.45	13,468.30	443,172.47	0.00	18,968.01	8,203.11
- 16 - SCHOOL BOND	0.00	78,938.77	-10.56	6,762.12	10.56	85,690.33	0.00	10.56	0.00
200 - SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35,109.30	0.00	0.00	73,268.39	-38,159.09
210 - 911 AUTHORITY	20,437.57	0.00	0.00	0.00	15,389.57	0.00	0.00	6,075.07	29,752.07
220 - TREASURER'S FEES	13,468.05	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,480.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	14,948.05
230 - ASSESSOR'S PENALTY	5,548.41	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,548.41

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240 - TREASURER'S DEEDS/FORE	11,894.84	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,876.13	0.00	0.00	4,899.71	10,871.26
250 - CLERK TECHNOLOGY FEES	3,477.40	0.00	0.00	0.00	349.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,826.40
260 - ADMIN FEE	2,698.42	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,698.42
270 - PEAK INVESTMENTS	35,700.28	0.00	0.00	0.00	427.02	0.00	0.00	0.00	35,273.26
280 - ABATEMENTS	-2,333.91	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-2,333.91
300 - ESCROW-AMBULANCE	62,325.39	0.00	0.00	0.00	15.59	0.00	0.00	0.00	62,340.98
350 - ESCROW-COMPUTER EQUIP	4,092.68	0.00	0.00	0.00	3.14	0.00	0.00	0.00	4,095.82
360 - ASSESSOR/TREASURER ESC	-3,161.59	0.00	0.00	0.00	4.41	0.00	0.00	0.00	-3,166.00
400 - ESCROW-GRAVEL	144,532.49	0.00	0.00	0.00	7.04	0.00	0.00	0.00	144,539.53
410 - COUNTY BARN ESCROW	39,661.77	0.00	0.00	0.00	32.67	0.00	0.00	0.00	39,694.44
420 - ROAD EQUIP PURCHASE ES	23,204.72	0.00	0.00	0.00	34.95	0.00	0.00	0.00	23,239.67
430 - LOST 4-WHEELERS ESCROW	3,900.17	0.00	0.00	0.00	2.34	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,902.51
440 - CDOT CONTRACT ESCROW	5,000.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5,000.00
450 - COURTHOUSE ESCROW	62,226.18	0.00	0.00	0.00	3,839.20	0.00	0.00	0.00	66,065.38
460 - MSI ESCROW	70,264.34	0.00	0.00	0.00	111.88	0.00	0.00	0.00	70,376.22
470 - EMERGENCY PREPAREDNES	2,237.16	0.00	0.00	0.00	5.04	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,242.20
500 - HISTORICAL ARCHIVES ESC	351.43	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	352.93
550 - ASPHALT ESCROW	70,877.30	0.00	0.00	0.00	51.95	0.00	0.00	0.00	70,929.25
570 - FOREST RESERVE ESCROW	125,548.18	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	125,548.18
590 - EMERGENCY SERVICES SAL	848,328.90	0.00	0.00	0.00	246,059.68	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,094,088.58
600 - FIRE TRUCK FUND	45,722.91	0.00	0.00	0.00	44.91	0.00	0.00	0.00	45,767.82

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650 - LAND USE ESCROW	53,486.03	0.00	0.00	0.00	19.64	0.00	0.00	0.00	53,505.67
700 - WORKFORCE HOUSING ESC	2,649.79	0.00	0.00	0.00	10.88	0.00	0.00	0.00	2,660.67
750 - ESCROW-SHERIFF VEHICLE	23,593.80	0.00	0.00	0.00	5.12	0.00	0.00	0.00	23,598.92
800 - PUBLIC TRUSTEE	180.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	955.00	0.00	0.00	951.00	184.00
810 - SPECIFIC OWNERSHIP TAX	0.00	0.00	0.00	33,610.01	124,686.23	0.00	0.00	124,686.23	33,610.01
820 - TAX HOLDING FUND	0.07	227,174.13	2,676.42	0.00	1,465,140.16	0.00	0.00	1,464,826.41	230,164.37
900 - ADVANCED COLLECTIONS	8,447.66	0.00	0.00	0.00	105.22	0.00	0.00	3,922.44	4,630.44
Grand Totals:	3,106,965.15	1,674,288.19	2,466.08	91,076.22	3,846,287.19	2,903,733.28	47,078.69	2,120,544.84	3,649,726.02

San Juan County

Composition of Cash Balances and Investments

As Of: 6/30/2021 Including Account Details

	Net Bank Balance	Investments	Cash on Hand/ In Transit	Total
Cash and Cash Items				
Cash on Hand	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,180.81	\$5,180.81
Cash on Hand:	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$5,180.81	\$5,180.81
Demand and Time Deposits				
Citizens State Bank				
Tomson Fund Checking	\$9,957.18	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$9,957.18
Affordable Housing Checking	\$29,661.38	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$29,661.38
911 Authority Checking Checking	\$29,656.12	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$29,656.12
General Checking Checking	\$1,065,443.92	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,065,443.92
Citizens State Bank:	\$1,324,720.80	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$1,324,720.80
Investment Pool				
Citizens State Bank				
1001 20397	\$0.00	\$1,013,607.42	\$0.00	\$1,013,607.42
Citizens State Bank:	\$0.00	\$1,013,607.42	\$0.00	\$1,013,607.42
COTRIST				
0001 0646-8001	\$0.00	\$1,004,707.85	\$0.00	\$1,004,707.85
COTRIST:	\$0.00	\$1,004,707.85	\$0.00	\$1,004,707.85
Sigma Financial Corporation				
011R 011850	\$0.00	\$296,514.16	\$0.00	\$296,514.16
Sigma Financial Corporation:	\$0.00	\$296,514.16	\$0.00	\$296,514.16
	\$1,013,720.80	\$2,310,831.64	\$5,180.81	\$3,329,733.25

Doranne Jaramilla

**OPUS HUT
 PO BOX 833
 Ophir CO 81426**

Fees Due		
Renewal Fee		Waived due to 20B-001
Storage Permit	\$100 X _____	\$
Sidewalk Service Area	\$75.00	\$
Additional Optional Premise Hotel & Restaurant	\$100 X _____	Waived due to 20B-001
Related Facility - Campus Liquor Complex	\$160.00 per facility	Waived due to 20B-001
Amount Due/Paid		\$ 520.00

Make check payable to: Colorado Department of Revenue. The State may convert your check to a one-time electronic banking transaction. Your bank account may be debited as early as the same day received by the State. If converted, your check will not be returned. If your check is rejected due to insufficient or uncollected funds, the Department may collect the payment amount directly from your banking account electronically.

Retail Liquor or Fermented Malt Beverage License Renewal Application

Please verify & update all information below

Return to city or county licensing authority by due date

Licensee Name OPUS HUT LLC		Doing Business As Name (DBA) OPUS HUT		
Liquor License # 03-03330	License Type Tavern (county)	Sales Tax License # 02558823-0000	Expiration Date 09/16/2021	Due Date 08/02/2021
Business Address 3660 COUNTY ROAD 8 Silverton CO 81433		County San Juan	Phone Number 9707080092	
Mailing Address PO BOX 833 Ophir CO 81426		Email		
Operating Manager Bob Kingsley	Date of Birth 11/12/65	Home Address 213 Arroyo St PO Box 833 Ophir CO 81426		Phone Number 970 708 0092
1. Do you have legal possession of the premises at the street address above? <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No Are the premises owned or rented? <input checked="" type="radio"/> Owned <input type="radio"/> Rented* *If rented, expiration date of lease _____				
2. Are you renewing a storage permit, additional optional premises, sidewalk service area, or related facility? If yes, please see the table in upper right hand corner and include all fees due. Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>				
3a. Since the date of filing of the last application, has the applicant, including its manager, partners, officer, directors, stockholders, members (LLC), managing members (LLC), or any other person with a 10% or greater financial interest in the applicant, been found in final order of a tax agency to be delinquent in the payment of any state or local taxes, penalties, or interest related to a business? Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>				
3b. Since the date of filing of the last application, has the applicant, including its manager, partners, officer, directors, stockholders, members (LLC), managing members (LLC), or any other person with a 10% or greater financial interest in the applicant failed to pay any fees or surcharges imposed pursuant to section 44-3-503, C.R.S.? Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>				
4. Since the date of filing of the last application, has there been any change in financial interest (new notes, loans, owners, etc.) or organizational structure (addition or deletion of officers, directors, managing members or general partners)? If yes, explain in detail and attach a listing of all liquor businesses in which these new lenders, owners (other than licensed financial institutions), officers, directors, managing members, or general partners are materially interested. Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>				
5. Since the date of filing of the last application, has the applicant or any of its agents, owners, managers, partners or lenders (other than licensed financial institutions) been convicted of a crime? If yes, attach a detailed explanation. Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>				
6. Since the date of filing of the last application, has the applicant or any of its agents, owners, managers, partners or lenders (other than licensed financial institutions) been denied an alcohol beverage license, had an alcohol beverage license suspended or revoked, or had interest in any entity that had an alcohol beverage license denied, suspended or revoked? If yes, attach a detailed explanation. Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>				
7. Does the applicant or any of its agents, owners, managers, partners or lenders (other than licensed financial institutions) have a direct or indirect interest in any other Colorado liquor license, including loans to or from any licensee or interest in a loan to any licensee? If yes, attach a detailed explanation. Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input checked="" type="radio"/>				

County Sales Tax

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	% Change	5yr. Average
January	5,959.36	6,799.02	4,970.71	7,799.87	6,854.79	16,712.63	143.81%	8,627.40
February	14,491.56	15,080.08	13,859.09	12,885.86	22,860.78	19,999.27	-12.52%	16,937.02
March	8,627.43	10,000.08	11,861.72	11,246.33	14,595.18	16,419.27	12.50%	12,824.52
April	9,804.86	11,323.27	10,399.61	8,857.05	15,280.29	15,820.09	3.53%	12,336.06
May	13,024.22	13,990.92	16,321.32	19,708.91	12,778.47	24,773.54	93.87%	17,514.63
June	5,819.62	7,552.19	4,601.13	5,827.74	9,946.40	17,549.36	76.44%	9,095.36
July	22,946.78	7,682.30	5,985.49	6,206.92	17,737.22	13,668.65	-22.94%	10,256.12
August	11,781.46	13,949.50	6,568.03	13,486.95	10,921.79		-19.02%	11,341.55
September	15,042.34	21,634.93	9,579.78	22,429.05	21,745.79		-3.05%	18,086.38
October	12,955.34	16,769.39	11,057.45	13,774.16	18,726.14		35.95%	14,656.50
November	13,548.66	-4,182.80	11,187.78	15,070.58	17,785.19		18.01%	9,822.54
December	6,497.13	4,750.60	5,273.24	7,547.72	17,476.46		-5.00%	5,888.17
Total	140,498.76	125,349.48	111,665.35	144,841.14	186,708.50	124,942.81	28.91%	128,151.67
Year to Date	80,673.83	72,427.87	67,999.07	72,532.68	100,053.13	124,942.81	24.88%	

Emergency Services Sales Tax

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	% Change	5-Year Ave.
January	5,343.03	5,622.78	5,693.58	22,652.17	22,081.29	35,711.05	61.73%	18,352.17
February	9,368.55	10,692.95	9,500.78	20,193.73	38,888.47	40,698.37	4.65%	23,994.86
March	7,022.72	7,037.70	8,924.66	28,148.22	30,899.33	39,182.99	26.81%	22,838.58
April	8,989.30	8,265.99	22,040.87	52,719.27	32,992.58	39,057.87	18.38%	31,015.31
May	11,187.66	11,429.96	23,915.42	32,415.46	28,328.62	53,200.57	87.80%	29,858.01
June	7,002.03	6,362.70	13,364.73	17,201.80	20,323.77	38,209.24	88.00%	19,092.45
July	16,350.76	12,960.82	36,977.68	35,279.36	29,408.23	54,965.11	86.90%	33,918.24
August	28,294.88	29,968.07	54,297.30	74,723.11	62,795.11		-15.96%	50,015.69
September	42,058.55	45,477.85	100,795.88	126,269.99	120,650.92		-4.45%	70,827.33
October	31,447.71	33,384.56	82,850.46	103,635.85	108,852.60		5.03%	56,650.11
November	33,410.55	39,818.53	88,859.04	101,380.60	107,416.93		5.95%	59,078.46
December	21,352.56	14,380.35	34,697.06	45,399.97	63,130.77		-5.00%	25,661.42
Total	221,828.31	225,402.27	481,917.46	660,019.53	665,768.62	301,025.20	0.87%	194,457.80
Year to Date	65,264.05	62,372.90	120,417.72	208,610.01	202,922.29	301,025.20	48.35%	

Town Sales Tax

	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021 % Change	5-Year Ave.	
January	15,412.76	15,692.10	17,803.62	17,777.51	28,417.92	41.93%	24,004.69	
February	22,982.62	27,691.72	24,144.03	26,379.98	39,259.76	14.93%	32,519.57	
March	19,463.45	18,150.71	23,836.90	33,717.73	34,763.49	32.82%	31,328.12	
April	26,152.34	21,740.67	24,868.07	75,356.86	37,422.14	24.48%	41,193.82	
May	31,726.42	31,728.94	21,945.84	32,071.64	24,839.85	142.97%	34,187.83	
June	22,188.51	17,898.60	17,527.63	21,650.46	22,518.84	93.12%	24,616.99	
July	42,456.28	44,161.00	53,182.66	50,243.72	29,239.56	74,281.24	154.04%	50,221.64
August	101,398.06	105,922.79	80,166.62	105,875.94	90,106.11	-14.89%	96,693.90	
September	153,191.88	160,276.49	151,431.83	179,274.96	170,982.30	-4.63%	157,480.82	
October	112,835.51	116,768.86	121,288.07	151,774.01	155,155.28	2.23%	123,618.60	
November	120,093.55	163,456.93	130,755.88	146,395.83	153,802.89	5.06%	134,981.62	
December	78,913.11	52,770.79	50,151.94	64,974.75	83,368.79	-5.00%	58,196.60	
TOTAL	746,814.49	776,259.60	717,103.10	905,493.39	869,876.93	356,331.28	-3.93%	670,005.77
Year to Date	180,382.38	177,063.74	183,308.76	257,197.90	216,461.56	356,331.28	64.62%	

	Lodging Tax									
	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	% Change	5 yr. Average		
January	1,083.78	35.05	126.80	885.93	3,729.44	543.94	-85.41%	1,064.23		
February	7,581.19	10,406.98	8,318.23	10,816.00	14,088.47	20,282.97	43.97%	12,782.53		
March	1,544.89	786.00	3,097.25	145.07	454.00	660.00	45.37%	1,028.46		
April	195.49	1,543.39	2,002.98	33.00	-	1,489.56	0.00%	1,013.79		
May	7,263.06	13,776.57	11,375.54	17,612.98	14,069.00	30,651.70	117.87%	17,497.16		
June	4,849.00	1,094.30	1,356.34	952.07	300.40	1,007.32	235.33%	942.09		
July	1,394.08	309.00	2,702.84	170.21	573.00	11,854.90	1968.92%	3,121.99		
August	9,590.21	10,799.07	11,477.00	14,372.43	13,978.56	-	-2.74%	10,758.36		
September	1,354.94	5,661.40	7,956.78	2,738.12	139.00	-	-94.92%	3,770.81		
October	3,733.58	2,632.10	666.79	2,848.73	780.48	-	-72.60%	2,167.27		
November	39,304.00	38,017.00	43,574.04	47,263.00	58,396.70	-	23.56%	39,678.68		
December	1,011.00	2,839.96	2,029.95	1,790.37	1,918.52	-	-5.00%	1,995.60		
Total	78,905.22	87,900.82	94,684.54	99,627.91	108,427.57	66,490.39	8.83%	91,426.25		
Year to Date	23,911.49	27,951.29	28,979.98	30,615.26	33,214.31	66,490.39				

County Sales Tax

	2016	2017	2018	2019			2020			2021		
				Local	Remote	Total	Local	Remote	Total	Local	Remote	Total
January	8,627.43	10,000.08	11,861.72	11,205.30	41.21	11,246.51	10,788.33	3,806.85	14,595.18	12,766.17	3,626.04	16,392.21
February	9,804.86	11,323.27	10,399.61	8,772.61	84.44	8,857.05	10,870.13	4,410.17	15,280.30	12,935.30	2,874.51	15,809.81
March	13,024.22	13,990.92	16,321.32	19,310.39	398.52	19,708.91	9,542.34	3,236.13	12,778.47	20,077.43	4,696.12	24,773.55
April	5,819.62	7,552.19	4,601.13	5,675.84	151.91	5,827.75	6,642.00	3,304.40	9,946.40	19,662.00	8,855.00	28,517.00
May	22,946.78	7,682.30	5,985.49	5,876.94	325.95	6,202.89	14,961.72	2,775.50	17,737.22	7,456.19	6,212.46	13,668.65
June	11,781.46	13,949.50	6,568.03	12,825.21	661.74	13,486.95	8,411.36	2,510.43	10,921.79			
July	15,042.34	21,634.93	9,579.78	21,568.05	861.00	22,429.05	17,395.28	4,350.51	21,745.79			
August	12,955.34	16,769.39	11,057.45	12,723.74	1,050.42	13,774.16	14,702.81	4,023.33	18,726.14			
September	13,548.66	-4,182.80	11,187.78	14,041.68	1,028.90	15,070.58	13,563.83	4,221.36	17,785.19			
October	6,497.13	4,750.60	5,273.24	6,721.34	825.95	7,547.29	13,816.59	3,659.87	17,476.46			
November	6,799.02	4,970.71	7,799.87	5,930.45	924.35	6,854.80	13,781.54	2,931.09	16,712.63			
December	15,080.08	13,859.09	12,885.86	13,632.71	9,228.08	22,860.79	15,672.05	4,315.23	19,987.28			
Total	141,926.95	122,300.18	113,521.28	138,284.26	15,582.47	153,866.73	150,147.98	43,544.87	193,692.85	72,897.09	26,264.13	99,161.22

Emergency Services Sales Tax

	2016	2017	2018	2019			2020			2021		
				Local	Remote	Total	Local	Remote	Total	Local	Remote	Total
January	7,022.72	7,037.70	8,924.66	27,980.65	167.86	28,148.51	26,847.59	4,051.74	30,899.33	32,447.80	6,735.19	39,182.99
February	8,989.30	8,265.99	22,040.87	21,749.81	30,969.48	52,719.29	26,943.46	6,049.12	32,992.58	33,038.78	6,019.09	39,057.87
March	11,187.66	11,429.96	23,915.42	31,606.19	809.27	32,415.46	18,988.97	4,560.71	23,549.68	43,877.86	9,322.30	53,200.16
April	7,002.03	6,362.70	58,262.95	16,573.10	628.71	17,201.81	14,879.87	5,443.90	20,323.77	30,509.93	7,699.31	38,209.24
May	16,350.76	12,960.82	36,977.68	33,423.78	1,892.28	35,316.06	24,551.07	4,857.16	29,408.23	45,019.35	9,945.76	54,965.11
June	28,294.88	29,968.07	54,297.30	72,152.85	2,570.26	74,723.11	56,773.64	6,471.47	63,245.11			
July	42,058.55	45,477.85	100,795.88	123,864.51	2,405.48	126,269.99	110,539.66	10,111.26	120,650.92			
August	31,447.71	33,384.56	82,850.46	101,317.76	3,702.92	105,020.68	98,545.37	10,307.22	108,852.59			
September	33,410.55	39,818.53	88,859.04	99,005.06	2,075.54	101,080.60	98,173.46	9,243.47	107,416.93			
October	21,352.56	14,380.35	34,697.06	43,619.35	1,780.63	45,399.98	55,526.63	7,604.14	63,130.77			
November	5,622.78	5,693.58	22,652.17	19,732.41	2,348.89	22,081.30	30,125.87	5,585.20	35,711.07			
December	10,692.95	9,500.78	30,306.85	30,176.30	8,712.17	38,888.47	33,466.13	7,274.58	40,740.71			
Total	223,432.46	224,280.90	564,580.34	621,201.77	58,063.49	679,265.26	595,361.72	81,559.97	676,921.69	184,893.72	39,721.65	224,615.37

Town Sales Tax

	2016	2017	2018	2019			2020			2021		
				Local	Remote	Total	Local	Remote	Total	Local	Remote	Total
January	19,463.45	18,150.71	23,836.90	33,491.06	226.94	33,718.00	32,098.08	2,665.41	34,763.49	39,066.03	7,132.77	46,198.80
February	26,152.34	21,740.67	24,868.07	25,970.59	49,386.28	75,356.87	32,169.42	5,252.72	37,422.14	39,840.93	6,740.40	46,581.33
March	31,726.42	31,728.94	21,945.84	31,177.43	894.21	32,071.64	20,790.69	4,049.16	24,839.85	50,131.71	11,440.90	61,572.61
April	22,188.51	17,898.60	17,527.63	20,798.07	852.39	21,650.46	17,127.14	5,391.71	22,518.85	59,667.00	11,164.00	70,831.00
May	42,456.28	44,161.00	53,182.66	47,514.29	2,696.78	50,211.07	24,256.22	4,983.35	29,239.57	64,579.46	9,701.78	74,281.24
June	101,398.06	105,922.79	80,166.62	102,431.94	3,444.00	105,875.94	82,279.01	7,827.11	90,106.12			
July	153,191.88	160,276.49	151,431.83	176,293.44	2,981.52	179,274.96	159,181.07	11,801.24	170,982.31			
August	112,835.51	116,768.86	121,288.07	149,121.51	2,652.50	151,774.01	142,713.83	12,441.45	155,155.28			
September	120,093.55	163,456.93	130,755.88	144,109.26	2,286.57	146,395.83	143,258.72	10,544.18	153,802.90			
October	78,913.11	52,770.79	50,151.94	62,956.32	2,018.43	64,974.75	74,881.79	8,487.00	83,368.79			
November	15,692.10	17,803.62	17,777.51	25,590.15	2,827.77	28,417.92	34,341.60	5,990.72	40,332.32			
December	27,691.72	24,144.03	26,379.98	34,571.00	4,688.76	39,259.76	37,786.83	7,306.20	45,093.03			
TOTAL	751,802.93	774,823.44	719,312.94	854,025.06	74,956.15	928,981.21	800,884.40	86,740.25	887,624.65	253,285.13	46,179.85	299,464.98

SAN JUAN COUNTY ROAD DEPARTMENT

Monthly Road Maintenance Report

JUNE 2021

County road #2 to Eureka, grade and pull ditches to get more fines mix with the gravel to help dust control. Dust control was scheduled for June 16th and 17th had to postpone until the 30th and July 1st! Hauled and spread 45 loads of gravel 715 tons. The rains made application just about right. Only had to apply 4 loads of water or 16,000 gallons we usually put down over 160,000 gallons. Rented roller and rolled the 2.6 miles from the end of the pavement before application. Will owe the Town for roller rental.

Mag-Chloride- 80/20 CS, 18,200 gallons at 0.40 gallons per sq. yd. and got wide areas and corners done from end or pavement to big corner north of the Howardsville Mill. It was a little sticky and smelly from the sugar beets blend. Seems to be working for a little while!

Regular mag- Chloride applied to Eureka at ½ gallon per sq. yd. 25,500 gallons and 43,700 gallons with some extra for dust control.

1-772G grader, 24 hours.

2-772G grader, 27 hours.

936 loader, 20 hours load trucks and repair flood damage!

Int. dump truck, 30 hours.

Water truck, 6 hours.

Roller, 7 hours.

Pickups, 8 hours.

80/20 CS, 18,200 x 0.85 = \$15,470.00.

Integra-Blend, 25,600 x 0.79 = \$20,240.00.

Total for CR-2 \$35,710.00. does not include CR-4-4A and truck bypass!

Fill and repair Animas River Flooding haul fill and place large rocks.

County road #4-4A to Mine Tour, grading and rock removal. Haul 7 loads of gravel and applied dust control. Applied about 4000 gallons to road and parking area. 1.1 miles at ¼ gallon per sq. yd. \$3,160.00. Did not have to spray any water. Installed three speed limit signs 15 MPH a two 10MPH for the mine tour from both directions.

1-772G grader, 6 hours.

936 loader, 2 hours.

Int. Dump truck, 5 hours.

Pickups, 3 hours.

110 tons of gravel.

County road #2 to Gladstone, grading, rock removal and clean ditch. Graded and watered truck bypass and applied dust control at ¼ gallon per sq. yd. 20" width for 0.42 miles. 2500 to 2600 gallons \$2,212.00 more or less

1-772G grader, 7 hours.

936 loader, 2 hours.

Pickups, 8 hours.

County road #14 US Basin, Browns Gulch, snow and tree removal and minor road repair. Opened on 6/4/21.

D6N tractor, 16 hours.

Pickup trucks, 4 hours.

County road #14A Kohler/Longfellow, snow and tree removal to Red MT. town.

D6N tractor, 1 hour.

County road #15 Mill Creek/Silver Cloud mine. Rock and snow removal. Had to fill large holes in cliff area.

1-772G grader, 2 hours.

County road #16 Black Bear Pass, snow and rock removal. Opened to the top 6/23/21. Meet San Miguel county on their way up.

D6N tractor, 7 hours.

Pickup 1 hour.

Peterbilt truck, 2 hours haul tractor.

County roads #65 and 65A Bullion King/ Porphury Gulch. Rock and slough removal removed large boulder on upper section. Did some cut and fill from intersection of CR-65 and 65A. Had not worked on lower section for several years and was needed on switchbacks and side angle areas. Minimal work was done. Repairs rough section on 65A.

D6N tractor, 30 hours.

Pickups, 4 hours.

County road #2 to Animas Forks, clean rocks and slide debris, clean ditch and fill a couple of holes to CR-9 intersection. Three buckets of gravel above Eureka.

936 loader, 6 hours.

2-772G grader, 2 hours.

Pickups, 3 hours.

County road #9 Picayune/ Placer Gulch Loop, Opened 6/3/21. Snow removal and road repairs. Snow in Mastadon Basin.

D6T tractor, 16 hours.

Pickup, 5 hours.

County road #19-10 California Gulch/ Lake Como Loop. Snow removal, rock removal. Loop opened to Hurricane Pass 6/15/21.

D6T tractor, 28 hours.

Pickups, 10 hours.

Hurricane Pass and Lake Como Loop, Opened to Gladstone on 6/16/21. Snow removal and water control around the Queen Ann mine.

D6T tractor, 9 hours.

Pickups, 2 hours.

County road #10A Ross Basin/ Whiskey Pass, snow removal. Opened to top 6/17/21.

D6T tractor, 6 hours.

County road #24 Minnie Gulch, rock, tree and slough removal up to the Esmeralda Mine.

936 loader. 5 hours.

County road #8 Ophir Pass, grade and remove several large rocks on upper section of road.

1-772G grader, 4 hours.

Chevy pickup, 1 hour.

County road #23 Maggie Gulch, rock and tree removal. Check upper part of road and Check to see if CR-23A had been closed off again it has not been!

936 loader, 2 hours.

Pickup, 2 hours.

County road #61 Porcupine Gulch/ Monarch Mine, rock and remove several trees and repair road. People had cut through several trees just wide enough to get an ohv past!!!

772G grader, 3 hours.

Equipment maintenance, repairs, 56 hours. The D6T tractor has been down about two weeks due to wiring problems to the transmission. D6N repaired without a new wiring harness!

Mike Maxfield out 10 days, two weeks sick leave!

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San Juan County dust control application locations and material and gallons needed on County road #2 to Eureka and County road 4-4A Cunningham Gulch and CR-110 truck bypass near Silverton.

CR-2 from end of pavement 2.5 miles to past the Howardsville Mill.

70/20 CS, 2.5 miles at 24' width ½ gallon per sq. yd. and wide corners.

18,200 gallons of 70/20 CS x 0.85 per gallon \$15,470.00.

CR-2 from end of 70/20 CS application for 3.5 miles to north side of the bridge at Eureka and the parking area at the Campground store parking a lite application.

Integri-Blend M, 3.5 miles at 24' width ½ gallon per sq. yd. 25,500 gallons at 0.79 per gallon \$20,145.00.

CR-4-4A Cunningham Gulch to just past the Old Hundred Mine Tour and a double width in the parking area for the mine tour. Start a intersection of CR-2 and CR-4. And spray the wide intersection.

Integri-Blend M, 1.1 miles and parking area, 1.1 miles at 18' width, ¼ gallon per sq. yd. 4,000 gallons at 0.79 per gallon \$3,160.00.

CR-110 Bypass just out of Silverton from the pavement to CR-2 intersection.

Integri-Blend M. 0.42 miles a 20' width, ¼ gallon per sq. 2,800 gallons \$2,212.00.

We might be able to do this road when the Town of Silverton does their application!

18,200 gallons of 70/20 CS Dust Control

32.100 gallons of Mag-Chloride.

San Juan Development Association
Economic Diversification & Resiliency Coordinator Report
June 1st – 30th, 2021

This report covers activities and project updates done by the SJDA Economic Coordinator during the time period above.

Participated Meetings

- Community Builders
 - Project Management Team Weekly update meetings
 - Logistic and organization support for CMs team in preparation for their visit
 - Taskforce Monthly meeting and group facilitation
- SJDA Board Meeting
 - Project updates: Fiber, Workforce Housing, Sustainability, Website & Prospectus
- Silverton Creative District Meeting
 - Attended meeting for event management and advertisement collaboration
- Silverton School Board Meeting
 - Introduction to Board and presentation on SJDA and ongoing projects
- Regional connections
 - OEDIT Economic Business Manager – Andrew Trump
 - Local First – Lauren Haggerty and Emily Bell

Activities

- Colorado Basic Economic Development Organization Course
 - 4-day class covering basic EDO & introduction to state resources and programs (first course needed to obtain CEcD)
- Microsoft 365 Office Suit for Non-Profit set up – pending final implementation
- Assisted 3 community members with inquiries on workforce housing development options, funding, and mortgage questions

Projects

- Website
 - Added donation feature and membership options
- Grants
 - Submitted Ballentine & SMPA grants
 - Ballentine Family Fund for advertisement and communications - \$5k
 - San Miguel Focus Fund for SJDA operational expenses - \$5k
- Fiber
 - Introductory meeting with Clearnetworx – assess feasibility and interest
 - Organized meeting with Clearnetworx, Town, County, and School - Town currently evaluating equipment placement
 - Attended the Regional Broadband Discussion that was organized by SWCCOG to bring stakeholders together and discuss about obstacles and opportunities presented for fiber construction in SWCO
 - Bi-monthly meeting with SWCCOG (Miriam) to discuss fiber opportunities and regional initiatives that will help SJC

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Coming up empty

Federal investigators fail to find cause for wildfire in Ice Lakes area



The Ice Fire broke out October 2020 and went onto burn 600 acres in the San Juan National Forest. Federal investigators, however, were unable to determine what started the fire, although the running theory is someone hiking the Ice Lakes Trail threw a lit cigarette butt off into the forest, igniting the blaze. / Photo courtesy U.S. Forest Service

After a lengthy investigation, federal law enforcement was unable to find out what started a wildfire near the popular Ice Lakes Trail west of Silverton last fall, though it's believed to be human caused.

According to a final report – obtained by The Durango Telegraph through a Freedom of Information Act request – investigators scoured the burn scar in the days after the fire but were unable to find an ignition source.

"The specific area of origin was determined, but no evidence was found during the investigation indicating what exactly caused the fire," Shawn A. Cave, the lead investigator for the U.S. Forest Service, wrote in the report.

The "Ice Fire" broke out on the afternoon of Oct. 19, 2020, about a half mile up the highly trafficked Ice Lakes Trail, 6 miles from Silverton along South Mineral Road. It wasn't until Oct. 26, when a winter storm hit the region, that the fire was considered fully contained after burning nearly 600 acres of national forest.

No one was injured and no structures lost, but the fire did trap 28 hikers who had to be evacuated by helicopter, and cost about \$750,000 to fight. The blaze also ran the risk of coming into Silverton and threatened the town's water supply. And, ultimately, because of the damage to the forest, the Ice Lakes Trail was shut down indefinitely.

Though no exact cause was determined, federal investigators believe the Ice Fire was started by a person, and according to the investigation report, the leading theory is a cast-off cigarette butt.

"The only probable factor as to contributing to the start of the fire is human in nature," Cave wrote. "However, no evidence or conclusive evidence was found in the point of origin. Therefore, the cause of the Ice Fire is inconclusive."

Pinning a point of origin

Around 11:30 a.m. Oct. 19, passing hikers reportedly saw the smoldering beginnings of the fire and tried to put it out by hand. But the burn quickly grew out of control, and realizing their efforts were not going to work, the hikers rushed down to call emergency dispatch, with the first call coming in at 1:13 p.m.

In October 2020, the San Juan Mountains were in an extreme drought after a no-show monsoon season and a continuing dry pattern into the fall. All over Colorado, destructive wildfires were breaking out at historic rates. On the day the Ice Fire started, windy conditions caused it to spread rapidly, inciting a hefty emergency response that included nearly 100 firefighters and aircrew members.

Part of that response was the Forest Service's fire investigation team, namely Cave, who has worked as a law enforcement officer in Southwest Colorado since fall 2011. But, because of fire danger, steep terrain and falling trees, the area wasn't safe to enter on the day the fire first flared up, the report said.

Instead, investigators talked to witnesses who said they saw columns of smoke first billow up about a half-mile from the trailhead, near a boulder within a meadow. An emergency helicopter crew that flew over the area just an hour after the first call to dispatch confirmed these accounts of the fire's point of origin.

On Oct. 23, 2020, as the Ice Fire slowed down (having burned nearly 600 acres but still only 50% contained), it was determined the area where the fire was believed to have started was safe enough for investigators to begin surveying.

Once on scene, the starting point was easily identifiable after investigators spotted a wide "V" pattern on the forest floor, indicating where the blaze broke out and then spread, which was consistent with eyewitness accounts and wind directions Oct. 19.

"I could see how the fire was able to burn toward the treeline," Cave wrote in the report. "From the treeline, I was able to see how it established itself into the timber and became a crowning fire."

The logical conclusion

Missing from the scene, however, was any indication of what started the fire. So, investigators started to rule out possible causes.

No storms or weather activity were happening at the time, so lightning was eliminated. Investigators didn't find any signs of a camp or campfire nearby. And, there no roads in the immediate vicinity where a spark from a car or other motorized vehicle could have caused it.

Instead, the more logical conclusion, held by many local emergency crews from the outset, was that one of the hundreds of people a day who make the hike on the Ice Lakes Trail was the culprit. Giving favor to this theory was the fact the point of origin for the fire was close to the trail itself, about 75 feet off, and at a "good rest stop" for hikers, according to the report.

"Natural elements ... were ruled out as well as mechanical elements such as a motorized trail (or) road," Cave wrote. "Though no cigarette butts could be found at the specific origin, this is the leading theory."

Fire investigations can be incredibly difficult, as active wildfires, weather and other factors can delay or diminish the quality of evidence on the scene.

A Forest Service spokeswoman Wednesday was unable to answer why investigators think it was a cigarette. No potential suspects are listed in the report, either. Still, the investigation report confirms what locals on the ground believed for months.

"Just by ruling out things, it was almost certainly human caused," Jim Donovan, director of San Juan County's Office of Emergency Management, said. "There weren't any other factors at play during the day."

It's a people problem

The Ice Lakes Trail is one of the most popular and heavily used in Southwest Colorado. Located within the San Juan National Forest, the trail starts at an elevation of 9,840 feet and climbs a couple thousand feet to two stunning, turquoise alpine lakes: Ice Lake and Island Lake.

On any given day in summer, hundreds of people make the 7-mile round-trip hike. But in recent years, social media (looking at you, Instagram) and countless "best of" lists have blown up use on the trail. Then, with COVID-19 pushing more people into the outdoors, the trailhead and parking lot started to feel more like Disney World than a gateway to the great outdoors. It was common last year to see 400 to 600 hikers a day (pre-pandemic, it was 250

hikers a day). One count over Labor Day weekend 2020 saw nearly 2,000 hikers and 215 overnight backpackers.

All that use took a significant toll on the fragile alpine tundra. People were regularly seen going off trail, damaging vegetation, starting illegal campfires above treeline and leaving behind litter and human waste. The other big concern, of course, was the risk of wildfire.

Countless studies have shown more than 90% of wildland fires in the U.S. are caused by people, whether through unattended fires, sparks from motorized vehicles, fireworks, intentional acts of arson and yes, the flick of a cigarette butt. According to federal data, in 2020, humans started a staggering 53,563 wildfires – 91% of all wildfires – burning nearly 6 million acres.

One of the more peculiar aspects about the Ice Fire, however, was how late in the year it started and how high in elevation it burned (10,000-11,500 feet). The blaze also shot a message to the high-elevation town of Silverton that it was not immune to wildfire. The last major fire near Silverton was in 1879, when 26,000 acres of forest burned around Molas Pass.

"It was definitely a wake-up call, as far as the fire threat to town," Donovan said. "We didn't think it was going to be that much of a concern, but it definitely turned into that."

Change gonna come

While the fire did not impact Ice Lake or Island Lake, the trail itself was heavily damaged and now presents risks of falling trees, rock slides and flooding. As a result, the trail, as well as several adjacent roads and campgrounds, will be closed until at least September when Forest Service crews can reassess conditions after the monsoon season.

But that doesn't mean people are staying out, said San Juan County Sheriff Bruce Conrad.

"People are just going around the sign," Conrad said. "People are constantly out there and think it's great no one else is out there. People don't understand we're not closing it to be (another term for jerks). There's reasoning behind it. They're endangering themselves and the people that come after them."

Conrad said his deputies give a warning to first-time offenders and tickets to people if caught in the area a second time. As of Tuesday, one person has been ticketed. According to the Forest Service, fines can run up to \$5,000. Lorena Williams, a Forest Service spokeswoman, said the agency has also increased law enforcement and volunteer presence in the area, too.

And those aren't the only changes coming for one of Southwest Colorado's crown jewel hikes. A permit system, long in the talks, moved closer to reality last year after the incredible increase of use on the trail and subsequent deteriorating landscape, culminating in the fire.

"The SJNF is weighing all options for management of the Ice Lakes Trail, and a permit system is just one of those possible options," Williams said. "We have completed some initial research and continue to gather information about all options."

For Conrad and many Silverton locals, something's got to change.

"That area has been under such pressure from over-use, it's good to give the area and wildlife some reprieve while USFS contemplates how to better manage it," Conrad said. "But it is closed for public safety purposes and people back there will be charged." ?

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