Division of Abandoned Mine Lands AML PILOT Project Status Report

Grant Recipient Name: Big Sandy Area Development District **Project Name:** Royalton Trail Town Pilot Project

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Accomplishments:

At the November progress meeting AML announced that the project has received ATP. The consulting engineer for the project has continued with design work and in preparation for bidding. The final site plan nears completion. The architect is completing some of the detailed specs to be included in the bid documents regarding the proposed restaurant structure.

At the end of January the long-awaited floodplain permit was issued. This will allow for site development work to begin as soon as those services can be procured. There is a question regarding tree cutting for the borrow areas and we are requesting assistance from AML with a bat study. We have scheduled a public meeting for Monday, March 25, 2019 from 6:00 to 8:00 PM at the Magoffin County High School to present the site and building drawings and update the community on the status of the project. The next progress meeting will be held on April 9th at 2:30 PM.

Performance outcome data/metrics:

Design activities continue as planned through March including preparation for bidding.

BSADD has created a link on its website to post information about the project's progress.

The floodplain permit has been issued.

Problems, issues, variances from plan:

Variances include the addition of acreage adjacent to the existing tract under lease and a new lease. (No expenditures of grant funds on the additional acreage will take place.) A re-configuration of the site attributes has taken place with a new site plan having been completed and agreed upon locally. Insurance coverage on the property is to be resolved (as noted in previous reports); it is anticipated that insurance will be on hold pending construction activity when the contractor will incur that expense. Local floodplain permit approval has now been granted allowing the project to proceed. If tree removal in the borrow areas will impact bat habitats then tree cutting will have to be completed before April 1st or those activities will not take place until October.