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Good morning, Bill and Caroline! The 2026 NewRange NorthMet Project will mine an annual average of 44,000 short tons per day (stpd) of ore and 66,000 stpd of waste rock and mill an annual average of 40,000 stpd of ore, with the remaining ore stored in the ore surge pile (OSP) and the temporary rock storage facility (TRSF).

Please let me know if you have further questions about this topic.

Best,

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Hello Christie. This is Query 14 to support DNR's consideration of NewRange's request and material evidence for the NewRange NorthMet Mining Project.

The PolyMet NorthMet Project listed both the amount of ore and waste rock that would be handled as part of the general project description. For that iteration of the project, an annual average of 32,000 stpd of ore, and 41,000 stpd of waste rock, would be mined each day.

So similar accounting can be offered for the NewRange NorthMet Project, what is the annual average tonnage of waste rock expected to be generated to accompany the 40,000 stpd statistic for mining ore?

Thanks in advance for your assistance with this matter. Please provide your response as soon as possible to facilitate DNR's consideration of the request and material evidence. Let me know if you have any questions. Bill J. and Caroline O.

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