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December 20, 2010

Mystery Creek Resources, Inc.  
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Vancouver BC, V6M 2A3, Canada  
Attention: Richard Goodwin, Vice President Mining

**Re: Extension of the Nixon Fork Mine Project Reclamation Plan Approval (A20065562)**

Dear Mr. Goodwin,

We are in receipt of your December 15, 2010 letter requesting that the Division of Mining, Land & Water reissue approval for the Plan of Operations and Reclamation Plan for the Nixon Fork Mine. Please note that since your project is located predominantly on lands managed by the US Bureau of Land Management, the Division of Mining, Land & Water has not, and will not, issue a Plan of Operations Approval. The current Reclamation Plan Approval (A20065562) expires on January 25, 2011. Reissuance of the Reclamation Plan Approval requires review of your revised documents and the reclamation cost estimate as well as the posting of any increased bond. We are considering your letter of December 15<sup>th</sup> as a request for an administrative extension of the existing Reclamation Plan Approval.

Mystery Creek Resources submitted an updated Nixon Fork Mine Plan of Operations and Reclamation Plan and a reclamation cost estimate dated August 2010. State and federal agencies met with you on December 8<sup>th</sup> to discuss initial review findings. Written review comments will be provided under separate cover.

We understand you will be revising and resubmitting the Plan of Operations and Reclamation Plan to address agency comments; therefore, the Division of Mining, Land & Water hereby administratively extends the current Nixon Fork Mine Project Reclamation Plan Approval (A20065562) until July 25, 2011 to allow for completion of the document revision, agency review, and the public process associated with the reissuance of the Reclamation Plan Approval and other project authorizations.

If this office can provide any additional service, please do not hesitate to contact me at (907) 269-8621 or Stephanie Lovell at (907) 458-6885.

Sincerely,



Rick Fredericksen, Mining Section Chief  
Division of Mining, Land & Water

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