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**Department of Natural Resources**

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May 9, 2017

Mystery Creek Resources, Inc.  
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Attention: Blane Wilson

**Subject: Extension of the Nixon Fork Mine Reclamation Plan Approval (A20125562)**

Dear Mr. Wilson:

On April 4, 2017, the Department of Natural Resources received a letter and revised Plan of Operations (POO) for the Nixon Fork Mine that is currently under a completeness review by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM). The Nixon Fork Mine has been in Temporary Closure since 2013 and Mystery Creek Resources, Inc. has notified the BLM of their intent to restart operations. The updated POO indicates there are no changes to the Reclamation Plan (RP) submitted in November of 2011. The current Reclamation Plan Approval (RPA) (A20125562) authorized by the State is due to expire on May 14, 2017.

The DMLW hereby administratively extends the RPA (A20125562) until May 14, 2018, to allow for the DMLW along with the BLM to complete their respective reviews of the timely submitted application package.

A person affected by this decision may appeal it, in accordance with 11 AAC 02. Any appeal must be received within 20 calendar days after the date of issuance of this decision, as defined in 11 AAC .2.040(c) and (d), and may be mailed or delivered to the Commissioner, Department of Natural Resources, 550 W. 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Suite 1400, Anchorage, Alaska, 99501, faxed to 907-269-8918, or sent by electronic mail to [dnr.appeals@alaska.gov](mailto:dnr.appeals@alaska.gov). This decision takes effect immediately. If no appeal is filed by the appeal deadline, this decision becomes a final administrative order and decision of the department on the 31<sup>st</sup> day after issuance. An eligible person must first appeal this decision in accordance with 11 AAC 02 before appealing this decision to superior court. A copy of 11 AAC 02 may be obtained from any regional information office of the Department of Natural Resources.

If you have any questions regarding this approval, please contact Brent Martellaro at 907-451-2788.

Sincerely,



Marty Lentz  
Mining Section Chief

Enclosure: Copy of April 5, 2017 letter from Mystery Creek Resources, Inc.

cc: Marty Lentz, ADNR  
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April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2017

Attn: **James Whitlock**  
Alaska Bureau of Land Management

Attn: **Kyle Moselle**  
Alaska Department of Natural Resources

**RE: Submission of Nixon Fork Mine Plan of Operations and Monitoring Plan**

Dear Sirs

Mystery Creek Resources is presenting the Nixon Fork Mine Plan of Operations updated for 2017. This document includes all attachments as required by section 401 of 43 CFR 3809.

In December of 2016 The Alaska Departments of Environmental Conservation (DEC) and Natural Resources (DNR) waived the requirement for Nixon Fork Mine to perform a facility/environmental audit. For reference, condition 1.11 of DEC Waste Management Permit 2012DB0001 requires a facility audit, and under the General Stipulations of DNR Reclamation and Closure Plan Approval A20125562, it requires an environmental audit.

If you have any questions or require additional information regarding this report, please contact Blane Wilson at email: [bwilson@titanresourcesltd.com](mailto:bwilson@titanresourcesltd.com), cellphone: #775-388-3885.

Respectfully,

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