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March 14, 2018

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**Subject: Fort Knox Mine Plan of Operations Amendment Approval  
F20149852POO.10 for the replacement of the Powerline Trail**

Dear Ms. Kleven:

On March 13, 2018, the Division of Mining, Land, and Water (DMLW) received correspondence from Fairbanks Gold Mining, Inc. (FGMI), requesting approval to amend the *Fort Knox Mine Plan of Operations Amendment Approval F20149852POO (POOA)* for the construction of a replacement trail for the Powerline Trail.

The DMLW Mining section has reviewed the proposed amendment and consulted with the DMLW Land section.

The requested amendment to the POOA as proposed and illustrated in your March 13, 2018 submission are hereby approved as *Fort Knox Mine Plan of Operations Amendment Approval F20149852POO.10 (POOA)*. Nothing in this decision changes the conditions of the original POOA Approval dated March 28, 2014. These changes should be accounted for in the next update to the Plan of Operations, the Reclamation and Closure Plan, and the closure cost estimate.

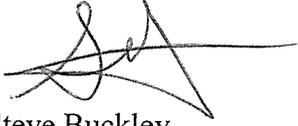
Please be advised that this authorization does not eliminate the potential need for authorization of your activity from other Federal, State, or local divisions or agencies.

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 02.040© 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 1-907-269-8918, or sent by electronic mail to [dnr.appeals@alaska.gov](mailto:dnr.appeals@alaska.gov). 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> calendar 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,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Steve Buckley', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Steve Buckley  
Mining Section Chief

Enclosure: Copy of FGMI's March 13, 2018 amendment request

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March 13, 2018

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Re: Plan of Operations Amendment for Trail Relocation

Dear Mr. Martellaro:

Fairbanks Gold Mining, Inc. (FGMI) is requesting an amendment to the Plan of Operations for the Fort Knox Gold Mine. FGMI proposes to construct a replacement trail for the Powerline Trail. The attached figure identifies the new replacement trail configuration. The proposed relocated trail will be co-located on the north end with the RST 650 trail and co-located on an existing road on the southern end that connects to Monzulla Lane.

During construction of the replacement trail, the Powerline Trail will remain open for public use; however, once construction of the relocated trail is completed, the Powerline Trail will be closed. Closure of this trails is necessary for public safety and safe mine operations.

Should you have any questions, please contact me at 970-490-2207 or [bartly.kleven@kinross.com](mailto:bartly.kleven@kinross.com).

Sincerely,



Bartly Kleven  
Environmental Manager

Fort Knox Trail Relocation Figure

